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SHAKE-UP IN POLICE FORCE OF VANCOUVER

Complete Reorganization
Within Thirty Days Ordered
By the Commission

Reported Half Dozen Men of
the Force Will Be Dis-
missed at Once

Vancouver, Jan. 27.—Complete reorganization of the police department of this city within the next thirty days has been ordered by the Vancouver Police Commission, according to an announcement today by Commissioner T. W. Fletcher, following a meeting yesterday.

Written instructions, it is reported, have already been issued to Chief of Police H. W. Long to this effect, and should the shake-up prove unsatisfactory to the commission the police board will name a commission of investigation to carry out its edict.

Immediate action, it is stated, will involve the dismissal of six or eight members of the force.

No reason for the commission's action was given by Commissioner Fletcher other than that the board for a long time has been dissatisfied with the rank and file of the police department.

Persistent rumors and expressions of dissatisfaction with the police administration from private citizens and business men are said to have aroused the rank and file of the police department.

CONSTABLES DISCUSS AFFAIRS
As a result of this, it is reported, the Vancouver Police Union held a meeting last Tuesday night, when the situation was discussed at length and means to better conditions sought. As the men of the union are under discipline and as any drastic action might place them in the position of being in subordinate, no announcement of what was decided upon has yet been made.

Union officials would make no statement at the present time, declaring the meeting was private and any action that was taken would first have to be said before Chief Long.

HICKMAN SAYS HE WILL TESTIFY AT TRIAL IN CALIFORNIA

Defying His Counsel, He Will
Describe Killing of Marian
Parker

Los Angeles, Jan. 27.—William Edward Hickman upset the plans of his defense attorneys to-day at his trial here, defied them to keep him off the witness stand and declared that in the face of their opposition he would tell the jury his story of the killing of Marian Parker.

Discussing with his lawyers the programme for the third day of the hearing on his plea of not guilty by reason of insanity, the man who has confessed the killing of the twelve-year-old girl announced his own plan, which his counsel, Jerome Walsh and Richard Cantillon, said would seriously hamper the defence.

"We do not want Hickman to take the witness stand in view of his insanity defence and we have told him so," said Walsh. "Of course, if he is determined to do it, we can not stop him, but such a move would seriously injure the defence plans."

TASK OF DEFENCE
Los Angeles, Jan. 27.—The burden of the defence in the sanity trial of William Hickman here will be placed on the shoulders of the defence attorneys by the prosecution.

This became known prior to the opening of to-day's session of the trial, when District Attorney A. A. Keyes announced the prosecution merely would read the indictment charging Hickman with the kidnapping and murder of twelve-year-old Marian Parker and then rest its case. Under this procedure all the state's evidence—the testimony of seven witnesses and numerous other witnesses and the con-

New Canteen Fund Bill in Commons

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—The Minister of National Defence has placed on the order paper of the House of Commons a resolution, preliminary to a bill relating to the Canteen Funds. The resolution states it is expedient to provide for the disposition and allotment of the canteen funds accumulated during the World War, "and for the administration of the same by the provincial board of trustees appointed under the Canteen Fund Act of 1925."

REPORT STATES VICENTE B. IBANEZ DIED IN FRANCE



Madrid, Jan. 27.—The Madrid newspaper *Heraldo* to-day received a dispatch from Mentone, France, stating Vicente Blasco Ibanez, the author, had died at his villa there.

Share For Canada In New Pan-American Treaty On Aviation Is Now Discussed

Havana, Jan. 27 (Canadian Press).—The question of Canada's participation in the proposed treaty on aviation between countries of the two American continents is to be discussed by the committee on communications of the Pan-American Conference here. Before the treaty is adopted the conference must consider a proposal to seek concurrence of all countries on these continents. Amendments to the treaty drawn up in Washington last Spring have been filed by various delegations. These amendments have so changed the character of the treaty that the whole question was referred by common consent to a sub-committee to-day after the amendments had been filed.

The sub-committee, which will report to the communications committee, is presided over by Harry P. Fletcher of the United States.

MILITARY ZONES
Important principles of the treaty include the right to fly over military and naval zones, such as the Panama Canal, and the simplification of regulations governing the landing of flyers from one country in the territory of another.

It is the latter consideration which gave rise to the suggestion that American countries not members of the Pan-American Union should be asked to concur in the American aviation treaty. Canada and the British, French and Dutch colonies in this hemisphere are concerned.

JUDGE TO BE NAMED
Ottawa, Jan. 27.—"The appointment has not even been considered," said Hon. Ernest Lapointe, Minister of Justice, to-day when informed the name of a successor to the late Mr. Justice Curran on the Court of King's Bench of Manitoba had been announced in certain newspapers.

Dean Quainton Discusses New English Prayer Book And Talks In Its Behalf

The question of the revision of the Church of England Prayer Book, the possibility of its ultimate acceptance and other matters pertaining to it, are fully discussed in Dean C. S. Quainton's sermon of Sunday last which will be printed in Saturday's Times.

Secrets of the operation of the B.C. Legislature and a little of its history, with some personal touches on prominent figures of past and present, comprise an interesting story of government.

American night air mail carriers fly over a 5,000-mile pathway made safe by beacon lights. Fifty women are seeking seats in the British Parliament and the London lamplighter still rides his rounds through the floods. There is a batch of cabled news from the Old Land.

Capt. E. A. Evans tells some thrilling incidents from the lives of two Englishmen in India. A sun-baked outpost, and bare hands against cold steel.

Fanny Henslip Lea contributes a short story full of pathos and romance—"Please Forward," it is called.

These are features of The Times Saturday Supplement.

SIXTY WORKERS LOSE THEIR LIVES

McKinney, Texas, Jan. 27.—Approximately sixty men are believed to have perished to-day in the Humble Oil and Refining Company's topping plant here when fire destroyed the entire plant.

There were employed about sixty men at the plant and early reports declared none had been saved.

Ex-Premier Squires Re-enters Politics In Newfoundland

St. John's, Nfld., Jan. 27.—Sir Richard Squires, former Premier of Newfoundland, whose Cabinet resigned in July, 1925, in the face of charges of corruption, to-day announced he would re-enter public life.

STOCK CHARGES

Vancouver, Jan. 27.—Remand of a week was ordered in the cases of C. P. Porter and Andrew Marks, charged with "gambling in stocks," in police court here to-day. It was announced a further remand would be needed.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND ASSEMBLY SOON TO DISCUSS NEW BOOK

Archbishop of Canterbury
Asks Prayers For Prayer
Book Session February 6

London, Jan. 27.—An earnest appeal for prayers in connection with the forthcoming session of the National Assembly of the Church of England, at which the revision of the prayerbook will be discussed, has been issued by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate of All England. The session will begin February 6.

The Archbishop says in part: "It will be the duty of the Houses of the Assembly separately to debate matters which have been strenuously discussed throughout the land."

"Controversialists frequently refer to the revised prayerbook as the bishops' book. This is misleading. Though bishops have the ultimate responsibility for the shape of the measure submitted to the Assembly for final approval, it will be the outcome of the deliberations of all three houses and every member of the Assembly is entitled to ask for the help of the faithful at a time of special importance in the history of the Church of England."

Trains in Quebec Delayed By Snow

Moncton, N.B., Jan. 27.—Although the Canadian National main line in Eastern Quebec was still blocked early this morning, railway communication between Upper Canada and the Maritime Provinces is being resumed by means of transfer trains operating east and west of St. Fabien, where the worst snow blockades are.

MACLEAN ASKS EARLY RETURN OF LAND BELT

Seeks Legislation to Give B.C.
Railway Areas as Soon as
Possible

Province Thanks Federal
Government For Broad and
Generous Policy

Highly gratified at the prospective return of the railway belt and the Peace River block to provincial control, Premier Maclean urged the Federal Government by telegram to-day to hand over these vast areas to British Columbia as soon as possible.

In a wire to Hon. J. H. King, British Columbia's representative in the Federal Cabinet, Dr. Maclean suggested that the Federal authorities introduce into Parliament as soon as possible legislation approving the return of the lands to the Province. He also expressed the thanks of his Government and the people of British Columbia to the Federal Government for its plan to grant the Province's requests in this connection.

SATISFACTORY TO B.C.

Dr. King yesterday telegraphed the Premier quoting the paragraph in the speech from the Throne at Ottawa which forecast the return of the railway lands to British Columbia, and added: "This should be very satisfactory to the people of British Columbia."

This statement by Dr. King was taken as indicating certainly that the Province is to get its lands back. In his telegram to Dr. King, Dr. Maclean expressed the sincere thanks of his Government and the people of British Columbia for Dr. King's "splendid assistance in the matter of the return of resources and other matters."

The return of the lands, Dr. Maclean said, would be a "helpful in our provincial programme."

"I suggest," he added, "that implementing legislation be introduced at once. Please convey to Premier King and the Cabinet my appreciation of their broad national attitude on this and other matters."

TERM OF PRESIDENT OF MEXICO EXTENDED NOW TO SIX YEARS

Government Head Succeed-
ing Calles Will Be Under
New Law

Mexico City, Jan. 27.—The constitutional amendment increasing the term of the presidential office in Mexico from four to six years became effective yesterday through publication in *The Diario Oficial*.

Signed by President Calles, the new article reads: "The President will enter upon the exercise of his office on the first day of December and continue in this office for six years. An individual never can be re-elected for a term immediately succeeding to that of his incumbency."

It has been assumed the extended term does not apply to President Calles, whose time in office will expire in December of this year, but will apply to his successor, who now seems likely to be General Alvaro Obregon, the only candidate in the field.

However, some observers think that should circumstances require, the new law could be interpreted to apply to President Calles, which would extend his term two years longer.

PRAIRIE RESOURCES DEBATE AT OTTAWA

Handing Over of Control By
Federal Authorities Urged in
Resolution

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—A resolution similar to the one passed by the Winnipeg Convention of the Conservative Party, respecting the natural resources of the prairie Provinces, will be introduced in the House of Commons by Hon. J. W. Edwards, Conservative, Frontenac-Aylmer, Ontario.

The resolution states that in the best interests of Confederation and the economic development of Western Canada, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta "should be granted their natural resources, free from restriction, within the legislative competence of Parliament, but in compliance with the letter and spirit of the constitution, with provision for the maintenance and administration of the School Lands Endowment Fund according to the laws of the respective provinces and that the claims of these provinces to compensation for loss of lands and resources alienated and the claims of any other province in connection with this subject should be investigated with a view to satisfactory and equitable adjustment."

DEBATE IS STARTED ON THE ADDRESS IN OTTAWA COMMONS

Members Launch in Work of
Session First Day After
Opening Ceremonies

Address Moved This After-
noon By J. L. Halsey, Member
For Hants, N.S.

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—Following the formal tabling of department and other reports in the House of Commons to-day, J. L. Halsey, Liberal, Hants-Kings, N.S., moved the address in reply in the Speech from the Throne.

"We no longer talk of being on the eve of prosperity. We are enjoying prosperity," Mr. Halsey said.

Canada was enjoying greater prosperity than ever before, he said. In building, mining and immigration progress had been general.

PLEASING PROGRESS

"All this," he said, "is very gratifying to Canadians when less than two and a half years ago a large part of our population was predicting trade ruin unless radical changes were made."

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Seattle Welcomes Proposed Canadian Liquor Changes

Seattle, Jan. 27.—The report of the Canadian Customs Commission, which investigated smuggling, released to-day in Ottawa, was received with considerable satisfaction by prohibition enthusiasts in Seattle.

The report, which was put out of business, will reduce the smuggling of liquor into this state nearly 100 per cent," William M. Whitney, assistant prohibition administrator, declared.

"Time and again we have traced the source of liquor smuggled by run runners and distributed by bootleggers in Seattle to Canadian export houses and the United States marshal's office has a score of warrants for Canadians who never come across the border."

"It would be one of the greatest blows to the bootlegging industry since the prohibition laws were passed."

TEACHERS ARRESTED IN MEXICO CITY

Church Schools Closed By
Police During Their New
Campaign

Mexico City, Jan. 27.—The principal, sixteen instructors and eight students of a Roman Catholic school here were under arrest to-day as the result of a police drive to enforce the religious laws.

All the students of the Seminary de Regina were arrested, 190 of the students were released last night on orders from General Roberto Cruz, chief of police of Mexico City.

Twenty-one teachers, reputed to be nuns, and a Roman Catholic girl's school, who were arrested Wednesday charged with conducting propaganda against the Government, were also released by order of the district court.

SCHOOLS CLOSED

The seminary, the Colegio Josefine and two smaller Roman Catholic girls' schools were closed in the police campaign.

Rev. Father Benigno Egoquivel, principal of the seminary, twelve priests and four other teachers were held by police pending investigation of alleged seditious activities by them against the Government.

Eight students for the priesthood arrested at the same time were also held in custody. They were said by the police to have been found dressed in cassocks in violation of the religious laws, which forbid the wearing of priestly garb.

The police also closed the headquarters of the Catholic Federation. Seventeen members found inside at the time were arrested, but later were released.

TROPHIES FOR CANADA'S TWO LEADING AIRMEN OF 1927

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—Two important aviation trophies for the airmen considered to have done the greatest feats of the year 1927, aside from stunting, are to be awarded in Canada. One is being given by the Department of National Defence and the other by the International League of Aviators.

The League trophy is accompanied by a cash prize enabling the winner to take part in international aeronautic events. The Aviation League of Canada

TABLES CUSTOMS INQUIRY REPORT IN OTTAWA HOUSE



HON. W. D. EULER
Minister of National Revenue

Wide Reorganization To Strengthen Customs Staff Of Canada Recommended

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There is no mention of specific cases, firms or individuals which figured in the exhaustive investigation conducted by the commission during the many months it toured Canada. Specific cases which the commissioners considered of sufficient importance to report on are dealt with in a number of interim reports made to the Minister of National Revenue.

Important recommendations made by the commissioners are as follows:

1.—The appointment of a national revenue board of three members, headed by a chairman with all the qualifications of a judge of the superior courts. One of the members should be experienced in customs matters and the other possessed of business training. The board would sit in the different provinces of Canada.

FEWER PORTS

2.—Reduction in the number of ports at which goods may be entered and revenue collected through Canada.

3.—Promptitude and efficiency in enforcement of laws relating to national revenue.

4.—An amendment to Section 206 of the Customs Act so as to provide alternative punishment to imprisonment.

5.—Appointment of a staff of Dominion appraisers, possessing expert and technical knowledge of the commodities they are called upon to appraise. Appointment of appraisers should be made by the minister after examination of the applicants by the Dominion Board of Appraisers.

6.—Revision and consolidation of department regulations.

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GIVE PROVINCE NEW WEAPON TO STOP TRAFFIC

Liquor Warehouse Recommendations in Commons Report Announced To-day Give Satisfaction to Provincial Government as Means of Blocking Operations of Private Companies in Export and Local Sale

IN HOUSE TOLMIE ASKS ABOUT P.G.E.

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—In the House of Commons this afternoon Hon. S. F. Tolmie, Conservative, Victoria, asked the Minister of Railways and Canals if negotiations for the acquisition of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway by the Government of Canada or the Canadian National Railways were under way.

Hon. C. A. Dunning, Minister of Railways and Canals, replied that he required a little notice before answering the question.

Liquor conditions in British Columbia will be completely altered if Parliament puts into effect the recommendations of the Customs Commission, filed in Ottawa to-day, the Provincial Government believes.

Abolition of bonded liquor warehouses, as suggested in the report, will be of very great assistance to British Columbia in enforcing its liquor laws, Attorney-General Manson stated when he was shown telegraphic summaries of the Commission's findings. Bonded liquor warehouses have always been regarded by British Columbia and other western provinces as the chief source of bootlegging and their abolition has been consistently urged by the provincial authorities.

RESTRICTING EXPORTS

The precise effect of the Customs Commission's recommendations in regard to the export of liquor, however, was not clear. The Commission's recommendations that export of liquor from government control provinces be restricted to governments "or manufacturers" apparently—this scheme would not abolish liquor export altogether as the western provinces have urged. Manufacturers of liquor operating in British Columbia and other provinces would not be prevented from exporting, but would be given a monopoly of this business.

Under other regulations proposed by the Commission, export operations would be subject to strict regulations and no customs bonds would be allowed to liquor warehouses, enabling them to handle the intricate shipments brought from abroad. These shipments form most of the present export movement.

NEW REGULATIONS

In other words, while export would be continued to companies which manufacture here they would have to ship under severe restrictions, and every precaution would be taken to prevent them sending their products to the United States. This is the apparent effect of the Commission's proposals, not until they have been received here officially and studied by the provincial authorities. It is not yet known what their precise result would be, if approved by Parliament.

"I have not yet seen the full text of the Commission's report," Mr. Manson said when asked what he thought of the new proposals. "From the press reports, however, it would appear that the Commission has followed closely the recommendations of the Western provinces so far as liquor export is concerned. I these recommendations are approved by Parliament, as I have no doubt they will be, they will greatly assist this Province in the enforcement of its liquor laws. It is very gratifying to the Western provinces to find, according to press reports, that the Commission has accepted their views in such a measure."

BUS TERMINALS FOR YATES ST.

Local Interests Plan Erection
of Two-story Building For
Island Lines

An early start on the construction of new bus terminals is to be made on property on Yates Street, between Douglas and Blanshard Street, where local interests will erect a two-story modern building to act as terminals for stage and bus lines running out of the city to Trip Island points. The plans were prepared by Ralph Berwill.

The property has a width of thirty feet on Yates Street, running north to Johnson Street, where a width of sixty feet abuts on the latter thoroughfare. Final details in connection with the two-story building to be erected at the site are now under review.

The new terminals will be used by H. B. Olson of the Empire Taxi Company, operators of a line of stages operating to Nanaimo.

Yates Street has been used as the starting point for many of the stage lines running out of Victoria, and the new bus centre is designed to serve these lines.

Four Cruising British Seaplanes Now in Bengal

Calcutta, India, Jan. 27 (Canadian Press Cable via Reuters).—The four large super-marine flying boats of the Royal Air Force which left Plymouth, Eng., October 17 on an Empire cruise of 25,000 miles, including India and Australia, in charge of Commander Henry Cave Brown, are at Hooghly, Bengal, to-day, having covered 9,000 miles of the cruise without mishap.

During the flight the following places were touched: Colombo and Trincomalee, Ceylon; Mangalore, Cochin and Cocos, Madras; Chikla Lake, Behar, Orissa State and Bombay.

This flight is regarded as opening up possibilities of other Empire air routes.

LITTLE JOE

"IT'SN'T PUBLIC
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ILL. BY H. P. G. G. G.

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NEW PLANS TO BRING SETTLERS TO CANADA

Orange Grand Lodge Sends
Immigration Agent to Great
Britain

Toronto, Jan. 27.—Arthur G. Richmond of Toronto left here to-day for Great Britain, his departure marking the first step in a new immigration policy under the auspices of the Orange Grand Lodge of British America.

Hitherto that body has done considerable work along this line, but no money has as yet been spent solely on it, nor has anyone been engaged in connection with it, but with the departure of Mr. Richmond the work becomes a definite undertaking on the part of the Grand Lodge.

AGENTS IN PROVINCES
T. H. Bell, secretary-treasurer of the insurance department of the Grand Lodge, stated the organization of the immigration department had been completed, with competent men in charge of the work in every province.

For the time being the attention of the Orange immigration department will be centred in the British Isles. Later, it is proposed to send a representative into the Scandinavian countries for suitable settlers.

Improvement in Rev. Dr. Leslie Clay's Condition Reported

Winnipeg, Jan.



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Attractions For Fairs Arranged

Winnipeg, Jan. 27.—The election of officers and the selection of Midway and platform attractions for the 1928

season were concluding items of business at the annual meeting here this week of the Western Canada Association of Exhibitions (class A fairs), and the Western Canada Fairs Association (class B).

P. W. Abbott of Edmonton was elected president of the former association, with H. G. Smith, Regina, vice-president, and H. W. Johns, Saskatoon, secretary-treasurer.

Will T. Moore of Yorkton, Sask., was named president of the Western Canada Fairs Association, with Dr. J. A. Munro, M.P.P., Carman, Man., vice-president, Ralph Patterson, Red Deer, Alberta, second vice-president, and H. W. Johns, Lloydminster, Sask., secretary-treasurer.

The class A fairs awarded the platform attractions to Barnes and Carruthers of Chicago and the Midway carnival rights to the Johnny J. Jones Shows, De Land, Florida.

Conklin and Garrett, of Vancouver, will provide the Midway attractions for the class B fairs, and Barnes and Carruthers the platform performances.

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WIDE REORGANIZATION TO STRENGTHEN CUSTOMS SERVICE OF CANADA IS RECOMMENDED

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11—Creation of an investigation branch of the Department of National Revenue.

12—Enactment of legislation to provide for seizure outside territorial waters of any vessel registered in Canada, engaged or suspected of being engaged in smuggling operations in Canada.

13—Prohibition of the issuance of clearances to vessels or vehicles of all kinds carrying cargoes of liquor to the United States, contrary to the laws of that country.

14—Creation of an organization adequate to cope with frauds of under valuation and overvaluation.

15—Abolition of moiety payments to department officers. Payments to informers outside the service to be continued.

16—Changes in the methods of retiring, promoting and transferring department officers.

17—Power of suspension of officers to be given to customs collectors.

18—Proper administration of oaths required by regulations.

SIGNED BY THREE

The report is dated October 15, 1927. It bears the signatures of the three judges who comprised the commission. The chief commissioner was Chief Justice J. T. Brown of the Court of King's Bench of Saskatchewan and the two other commissioners were Mr. Justice W. H. Wright of the Supreme Court of Ontario and Mr. Justice Ernest Roy of the Quebec Superior Court.

Some of the recommendations have already been acted upon in the reorganization of the Department of National Revenue, which has been in progress for some time.

In advocating the appointment of a board of national revenue, the commission suggests the constitution of the present Board of Railway Commissioners might be adopted to a large extent, with such changes as the nature of the work might require.

INDEPENDENCE NEEDED

"The Board of Customs as at present constituted does not appear to operate satisfactorily," states the report. "All the present members of this board are customs officers. Their duties are in some respects judicial and the members should be removed from department influence and have all the authority and independence of a court."

"The commission points out as defects of the present system that no written record is kept of evidence submitted, and that evidence is not now taken under oath. Also the present board sits only in Ottawa even though it decides upon matters arising in various parts of Canada."

The jurisdiction of the new board as outlined by the commission would be:

(a) To hear all appeals from rulings in customs matters, except as to the question of values, which would be finally decided upon by the board of appraisers.

(b) To hear all appeals under the Income Tax Act, the Special War

TO DECIDE SEIZURES

Revenue Act, and all other acts administered by the Department of National Revenue.

(c) To adjudicate upon all seizures made by the department or its officers.

(d) To hear and determine all other matters that are now within the jurisdiction of the Board of Customs.

(e) To hear and determine all other matters that are now within the powers of the board.

The decision of the new board should be final on all questions except in matters of law, in which case there should be an appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada, it is suggested.

PORTS OF ENTRY

Dealing with the number of ports of entry in Canada, the commission points out that a reduction in these was recommended by the speaker in committee of the House of Commons which dealt with customs matters. Evidence taken in various parts of the country led the commission to the conclusion:

"That very substantial reduction should be made in the number of ports and outposts."

The evidence discloses that at the close of the fiscal year at March 31, 1926, there were in Canada 148 ports, 358 outposts, 219 preventive stations and forty postoffices where revenue was collected, making a grand total of 773, or excluding the postoffices, 728.

"In our view, this number is unnecessarily large and might very materially be reduced without detriment to the public service or any inconvenience to business interests."

The report states that reduction in the number of ports would be a considerable saving in the appraisal work and place it in the hands of competent appraisers, to the great advantage of the revenue.

All small points where goods are entered under the present system, the report says, the customs collectors have manifold duties to perform, among them those of appraisers.

CENTRALIZATION URGED

While the abolition of ports may seem drastic, the commission suggests that postal and express parcels, which form the bulk of entries at some ports, might be detained at central points and there appraised. After appraisal at these central points they might be sent on to their destinations and the duty collected by the postmasters or express agents, under instructions from the central office.

SMUGGLING PENALTIES

One of the most important recommendations of the commission is that which refers to Section 206 of the Customs Act. This section makes smuggling an indictable offence if the value of the smuggled goods is \$300 or over. Under this section, a person smuggling goods into Canada which are worth \$200 or over is liable to imprisonment of a term not exceeding seven and not less than one year for the first offence. For a second offence the minimum term of imprisonment is three years and the maximum ten years. There is no alternative.

DIFFICULTIES MET

With reference to this section, the commission stated:

"Our inquiries disclose that in the case of several prosecutions for violation of Section 206 of the Customs Act, great difficulties were met in securing convictions. One of the chief reasons for this was the reluctance of jurors to convict when the minimum penalty to be imposed was one year's imprisonment."

"The general consensus of opinion of the witnesses examined before us who had to do with prosecutions was that the provisions of this section as to punishment, instead of operation only as a deterrent to the commission of the offence, operates with greater effect in preventing the securing of convictions and the punishment of the offenders."

"We note that in the act passed in 1927 to amend the Customs Act the cognate sections of the Customs Act, namely, 187, 192, 195, 196 and 197, were amended so as to provide alternative punishment to imprisonment, and we are of the opinion Section 206 should be amended in a similar manner."

APPRAISAL WORK

The commission emphasizes the importance of adequate appraisal in the administration of customs.

"It has been recognized and must be admitted that a proper system of appraisal lies at the very base of the customs administration," states the report.

"It is almost axiomatic that the staff of appraisers should possess the necessary expert and technical knowledge to enable them to discharge their duties efficiently. The present system fails to provide a staff of appraisers to meet these requirements. At present there is a Dominion appraiser known as a textile appraiser, but there should be a staff of Dominion appraisers possessing expert and technical knowledge of the various commodities they are called upon to appraise."

The duties of these officers, according to the report, should be to exercise a general supervision over the appraisers at the different ports, visit the several ports from time to time as occasion arises, and instruct and assist the port appraisers in their duties.

It is suggested in the report that these Dominion appraisers might constitute a board of appraisers to whom appeals might be taken from appraisals by any port appraiser and their decision as to values should be final.

METHOD OF APPOINTMENT

The commission finds that the present system of appointing appraisers or other officers requiring expert or technical knowledge is unsatisfactory. Applications for positions as appraisers should be examined by those who are especially qualified. It is suggested:

"We are of the opinion," states the report, "that all appointments to the office of appraiser at the different ports of the Dominion should be made by the Minister after examination of the applicants by the Board of Appraisers. We suggest the Board of Dominion Appraisers when constituted, should supersede the present Board of Customs in all matters and duties relating to appraisals."

PREVENTIVE SERVICE

Dealing with the preventive service, the report states the duties of a preventive officer require special aptitude "and cannot in general be fulfilled by the appointment of persons from clerical or other positions in the service."

Centralization of the service at headquarters, it is stated, appears to have been a mistake. (This system of centralization has been abolished and the preventive service is now directed by regional chiefs, who in turn report to the chief preventive officer at Ottawa.)

"In connection with the future appointment of members of the preventive service," continues the report, "we would recommend that all applicants should be examined and reported upon by the chief

regional officers in the respective districts as to their special qualifications, and that the Minister prevent smuggling. A considerable number of the officers, says the report, appeared to be apathetic to individual smuggling and made no serious effort to prevent it. Their conduct would indicate they had no conception of their duties in this respect. They acted as if their sole duty was to receive entries and payment of duties by those willing to pay them."

REPORT ON SMUGGLING

Under the heading of "smuggling" the commission finds that smuggling for commercial purposes was in certain sections of the country somewhat prevalent, while in others it was confined largely to individual smuggling. Generally speaking, there was no efficient border patrol, and in many instances the customs houses were not located in strategic positions to give the officers reasonable opportunity of detecting or preventing smuggling.

The commission suggests that the excise and sales tax be made applicable to liquors alleged to be for export to foreign countries, because of evidence that such liquors sometimes come back to Canada.

\$9 per gallon. It may well be that with the profit to the smuggler substantially reduced, he will be loath to take the risks incidental to his operation.

CO-OPERATION DESIRED

"As the sale of liquor in Canada is largely if not altogether in the hands of the various liquor boards of the provinces, the full benefit of a reduction could not be realized unless with the co-operation of the provincial authorities."

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INVESTIGATION WORK

Establishment of an investigation branch of the department of a nature auxiliary to the preventive service," is recommended.

"In our view," the report says, "this (Concluded on Page 6)

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TWO MEN HANGED AT CARDIFF, WALES

Crowd of 4,500 at Jail When D. Driscoll and E. Rowlands Executed

Cardiff, Wales, Jan. 27.—Two men were hanged today in the heavily guarded Cardiff jail after strenuous efforts to gain a reprieve for them had failed.

Daniel Driscoll and Edward Rowlands were executed for the murder of David Lewis, a football player and boxer. Barriers had been erected about the prison. All witnesses and others concerned in the trial were warned to keep off the streets for safety. There was fear of violence from gangs of hoodlums with razors.

T. P. O'Connor, veteran member of the British Parliament, led the futile movement for a reprieve.

"They were the calmest, most self-possessed men who ever went to the scaffold," one of the wardens said.

THOUSANDS IN CROWD
Contrary to the fears of the authorities, there was no demonstration. During the night a few scores of people gathered at the barricades. They were gradually joined by others until at the time of the execution 4,500 or 5,000 persons were present. They were silent for the most part, although occasionally some sang hymns and others played. Fifty policemen stood to preserve order.

Several women fainted and were carried from the scene when the prison bell tolled, indicating the men had been hanged. As the bell tolled, many persons knelt and prayed. Then the crowd dispersed as silently as it had gathered.

The protests against the carrying out of the sentence were based on the claim that the evidence had not proved beyond doubt that Lewis died solely as a result of the injuries caused by the accused.

John Rowlands, who was also sentenced for the crime, was declared insane after the trial.

HICKMAN SAYS HE WILL TESTIFY AT TRIAL IN CALIFORNIA

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Testimony of Hickman to the crime will be presented in rebuttal.

SELECTION OF JURORS
But the question of when a jury would be completed to hear the trial is uncertain and the evidence brought conflicting answers from the rival attorneys.

Under the tripartite-like conduct of the case by Judge Trabucco, "the cow country" jurist who rides strict herd on the trial, eight men and four women, all except one middle-aged, held tentative places in the jury box yesterday afternoon. But Judge Walsh of Kansas City, the twenty-five-year-old chief defence counsel, announced nine he would challenge their seats under peremptory challenges of the defence early in today's court session.

It will be next Wednesday, in the opinion of the judge, before the jury is completed and the march of the evidence begins.

DEBATE IS STARTED ON THE ADDRESS IN OTTAWA COMMONS

(Continued from page 1)

Prosperity had not been as evenly distributed territorially, as it might have been. The people of the Maritime provinces had not been quick to share it, he said.

SECONDED BY BEAUBIEN

A. L. Beaubien, Liberal-Progressive, Provencier, Man., in seconding the address, said the Government, by having the "Ione French member in the West" second the address in French, had indicated its recognition of equal rights for the two languages in all parts of Canada.

"The Government is to be congratulated on the Speech from the Throne," said Mr. Beaubien.

While he congratulated Mr. Bennett as new Conservative leader, Mr. Beaubien expressed the hope Mr. Bennett would remain in that position for some time.

The Speech from the Throne, continued Mr. Beaubien, was a clear and precise enunciation of the policy of the Government of the country and of the Government's intention to follow the path of progress.

He urged immigration of the right

FOUR VOLCANOES BECOME ACTIVE

Moscow, Jan. 27.—The Sheveluch volcano, on the east coast of Kamchatka, long regarded as extinct, has suddenly become intensely active.

Three other volcanoes in other parts of the world became active almost simultaneously.

In Nicaragua, near the scene of action of United States marines, inhabitants of villages at the base of Ometepe Volcano in Lake Nicaragua, are fleeing to the mainland from an eruption of that occasionally active crater. On the other side of the world near far away Java, the famous volcano on the almost submerged island of Krakatoa has been increasing its activities in the past week. The volcano island of Santorin, or Thira, in the Greek Archipelago, also has become active again.

sort be encouraged by the Federal Government in co-operation with the provinces.

INVOICE COURTS
A bill to provide Ontario with divorce courts will be before the Senate when it meets again next Tuesday, to which day it adjourned yesterday.

People the world over are being largely upon foreign markets and while the reduced freight rates had enabled them to reach a little farther west, they were still dependent upon exports. Apple growers had been cut out of the German market by a high tariff and the potato growers had been excluded from Cuba, while the United States would reach both those markets.

He suggested trade treaties with both countries.

MEN IN WINNIPEG WHO DRINK CANNED HEAT FACE TRIAL

Quick Action Saved Life of One Victim Found in Street

Winnipeg, Jan. 27.—The heavy death toll taken by wood alcohol in Winnipeg during the Christmas holidays, when twelve men died, has had little effect in curbing the evil in the city, according to police authorities. Almost nightly, despite sub-zero temperatures, victims of "woody," as it is known to the habitual users, are being picked up on the streets by police officers, though in most cases a few hours in the jail cells bring quick recovery.

Lying on wind-swept streets city after city, the victims of the "woody" are being picked up yesterday, and the "woody" after several hours in hospital, found themselves in jail awaiting hearings on charges of drunkenness.

LIFE SAVED

Immediate medical attention by hospital authorities saved the life of William Kenny, forty, of no fixed abode. For several hours his recovery was doubtful, but early last evening he was pronounced out of danger and removed to a jail cell.

The other two victims were Matthew Bowes and Albert Johnson.

Another man, who was taken to a hospital after being found by police in a half-frozen condition several days ago, was reported in an improved condition.

SPANISH PRINCE IS CONVICTED IN FRANCE

Melun, France, Jan. 27.—Prince Fernando de Bourbon, disowned cousin of King Alfonso of Spain, yesterday was sentenced to three months in jail for passing a worthless cheque on a hotel proprietor at Antibes.

The sentence, however, was suspended, because the prince had already been in jail for that length of time. Other charges pending against him probably will be withdrawn.

BIRTHDAY OBSERVED

Doorn, Holland, Jan. 27.—The black and white banner of the Hohenzollerns floated above the former German Kaiser's house here today in honor of his sixty-ninth birthday. Friedrich Wilhelm Hohenzollern, former Crown Prince, and other members of the royal family arrived last night for the celebration.

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1008-10 GOVERNMENT STREET

Texas Prisoners Escape While Buildings Burn

Huntsville, Tex., Jan. 27.—Fire thought to have been set by prisoners in an effort to escape was raging at the "wall" of the Texas Penitentiary here this morning. A double guard was placed around the prison by Colonel H. Walker Sales, head of the prison commission, who assumed personal charge of the situation. It is not known how many prisoners escaped.



Lesson No. 10

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SCOTT'S EMULSION

TWO GIRLS FROZEN TO DEATH DESPITE MOTHER'S EFFORTS

Woman Has Feet Frozen and Other Daughter Has Both Legs Frozen

Tragedy During Storm in Farm District Near Malone, New York

Malone, N.Y., Jan. 27.—Trapped with frozen feet in an open sleigh by the smother of a northern blizzard, a mother helplessly watched two of her children she was bringing from school freeze to death in a night of storm. With both the driver and horses lost in the blinding snow, they had strayed from the road into a field and it was there the husband and father found them during a lull in the storm.

The woman, Mrs. Gilbert Dunn, recited the story last night from a hospital bed, where she was being treated for exposure.

The children who lost their lives were Ina and Lillian Dunn, fourteen and eleven, respectively. Evelyn, eight years old, was found to have both her legs frozen to the knees when she was rescued. The youngest of the children, Gilbert, aged five, was better shielded from the storm and suffered little from the frost.

Mrs. Dunn left the district school, a mile from her home, with the children during the storm Wednesday afternoon, she said. The distance between her home near Chateaugay and the school was hardly more than a mile. The team had progressed but a short way from

the schoolhouse when they encountered deep drifts across the road and in turning from the highway to avoid the drifts, the woman became bewildered. The team floundered along for some distance and then refused to go farther. The cold increased and the five occupants huddled together in the sleigh.

FEET FROZEN

Mrs. Dunn finally attempted to leave the sleigh for aid, intending to leave the four children in the sleigh.

Placing her weight on her feet, she found them to be frozen and realized she would be unable to walk for help. Wrapping the one old blanket the sleigh contained about them, they waited while the night settled in and the storm continued. The two older children, Ina and Lillian, insisted the mother keep the two smallest ones warm. Apparently warned of approaching unconsciousness, they clasped their arms about their mother and bade her good-bye.

When darkness had fallen, Lillian died and shortly before daybreak Mrs. Dunn discovered Ina dead.

FOUND BY HUSBAND
Mr. Dunn had remained home Wednesday to care for a four-year-old child while his wife went to the school for the children. When the storm approached and they still had not driven into the yard, he started a search, but the intensity of the storm forced him back to the house.

Yesterday morning he stopped the first passerby, asking him to remain with the baby, and started out on a search. In a field a half-mile from his home he found the sleigh, almost drifted under, with the mother still holding the dead and living children to her.

EXTRADITION ASKED
North Bay, Ont., Jan. 27.—Alleged to have been responsible for the deaths of six persons in Finland, Mikko Titto, alias Laine Said, is held in the district jail here while his case is investigated further by immigration officials. Local police have only meagre details of the crimes in question, but it is said the six persons were trapped in a building, which was set on fire.

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OUR RAILWAY LANDS

THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE AT
Ottawa yesterday announced that the Dominion Government was considering the restoration to this Province of the lands which comprise the railway belt and the Peace River Block.

What is known as the railway belt is that stretch of land through which the Canadian Pacific Railway passes—extending on the average for twenty miles on each side of the tracks—from this coast to the eastern boundary of the Province. It was given to the Dominion to help finance the construction of that railroad. The original acreage was 10,976,000; of this the Crown still controls 9,642,400 acres, only 1,394,000 acres having been permanently alienated. There is, however, a temporarily alienated acreage of 4,108,550 which was turned over to private hands for fixed periods under leases, or reserved for parks and other purposes. But the unreserved sections of the belt which would be transferred to the Province for its own use immediately amount to no less than 5,862,360 acres. By the acquisition of that part of the Peace River Block which is situated in British Columbia a further acreage of 3,500,000 would return to provincial jurisdiction.

It is estimated that the net revenue which would accrue to the Province from the railway belt would at once approach \$500,000 annually, while the potential value of the Peace River Block is enormous. Apart from the benefits which would be derived from the ownership of that Block, however, the land itself would become an important factor in any scheme for the disposal of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway. It thus will be understood that yesterday's announcement is of incalculable importance to British Columbia and, when the lands in question shall be turned over, this Province will have acquired additional wealth the application of which should mark the beginning of a new era of progress.

It is interesting at this time to refer to the history of the negotiations which British Columbia has carried on with the Dominion Government for the return of these lands. Few will hesitate to give to the late Premier Oliver the major part of the credit for the successful termination of what reasonably may be described as a great fight for provincial rights. On a number of occasions Mr. Oliver went to Ottawa with his case. He had set his heart upon obtaining for British Columbia what he considered was his right. It was not a simple matter. It was all very well to argue that this Province had paid twice for the British Columbia section of the Canadian Pacific Railway—a contention based upon the fact that the proceeds of the sale of the railway lands were not used to reimburse the Dominion treasury for an expenditure of \$73,000,000 which it made to the company for the carrying out of its project, thus obliging this Province to become a contributor towards that amount by way of taxation.

In this respect, of course, Mr. Oliver was on sound ground; but it is one thing to give property away and quite a different matter to get it back. It was all the more difficult in the late Premier's case because the prairie provinces likewise were importuning the Dominion for the return of their natural resources. It was the persistence with which Mr. Oliver labored, however, that persuaded the Ottawa Government to appoint Mr. Justice W. M. Martin a royal commissioner to investigate the whole situation and recommend what action should be taken. Upon his conclusions, we may assume, the announcement made yesterday was based. During all these prolonged negotiations Mr. Oliver was able to depend upon the valued assistance of Hon. J. H. King, who, as a Federal Minister and one who was thoroughly conversant with British Columbia's case, recognized the justice of this Province's demands.

Nor is it too much to say that the frequent trips to Ottawa which Mr. Oliver made in connection with this controversy undoubtedly helped to undermine his health and rob him of the satisfaction which the triumphant conclusion of his labors would have given him. Fate was unkind to him; but his work has brought a splendid reward to the Province which he served so long and faithfully.

LIQUOR EXPORT WAREHOUSES

ONE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS contained in the report of the Customs Commission which was tabled in the House of Commons at Ottawa to-day is of particular interest to British Columbia. It deals with the operations of liquor export warehouses and reads as follows:

We are convinced that the export houses are established in practically every case for the sole purpose of selling liquor to be smuggled into the United States and that they exist for no legitimate purpose whatever. Some of these houses have customs bonds and we should recommend that all these bonds be cancelled.

It has been an open secret for some time that some of the shipments of liquor from export warehouses in British Columbia never have reached the destination for which vessels have cleared. They have been transferred to other craft outside the twelve-mile limit and generally have found their way to land at some point just south of the international border. Interference by United States revenue officers, of course, has upset the calculations of not a few run-running skippers; but a much larger preventive organization than operates at present would be required to put an effective curb upon these traders.

Liquor from export warehouses, moreover, also finds its way back into this Province and, in the hands of bootleggers, becomes a competitor of Government stocks. Much of the demand for liquor after the official vending establishments have closed their doors for the day is satisfied from these supplies. The remedy for this situation obviously is clear to the commissioners whose report now has been made public.

MR. BEATTY'S CONFIDENCE

MR. E. W. BEATTY, PRESIDENT OF the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, announced in Winnipeg yesterday that the next ten years were likely to be marked by the spending of more money on railway expansion than on any other industry. "Not only will new construction in new territories be required," he declared, "but vastly enlarged and improved facilities in the older districts will be needed."

In this programme foreshadowed by Mr. Beatty the four western provinces obviously will share to a large extent. But the announcement is significant for more than what it means in the way of mere railway building. It is an indication to the people of Canada, and more than a hint to other countries, that one of the greatest business organizations in the world is about to show its confidence in this Dominion's future in a thoroughly practical manner.

On several occasions during the last three years Mr. Beatty has told us that the business of this country was on the up-grade. He based these statements mainly upon the progress of his company. The building programme to which he now refers is a new reminder that Canada, especially in the opinion of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, promises more in return for faith and enterprise than any other country.

CANADA'S FINANCIAL HEALTH

MR. HENRY REED HAYES, PRESIDENT of the Investment Bankers Association of America, declared in an interview in Toronto that Canada was the premier field of investment for the United States investor. He went so far as to say that the supply of money for the development of Canadian industry was illimitable, that Canada to-day was one of the strongest countries in the world financially; "and there is no reason why her prosperity should not continue."

There are many evidences of the truth of the statement which Mr. Hayes has made. Canadian securities of all kinds are popular with our neighbors. But it is all the more gratifying that one so well fitted to do so should give us such a fine bill of financial health. We trust that the pessimists among our public men, those newspapers that try to make us believe that economic disaster is just round the corner, will take note of what Mr. Hayes says about us. It is his business to know the facts. He has no political fish to fry.

WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY

SNOWS
From The London Advertiser

There is a false philosophy of life, which attaches a higher social value of what are called white-collar occupations than to mechanical callings. This is quite a different thing from love of learning or from respect for scholarship, and it may influence people who seldom open a book, while it is not uncommon to find a mechanic or a working farmer who is a reader and has a wide range of intellectual interests.

PEACE RIVER PROBLEMS
From The Toronto Mail and Empire

Cost of construction and maintenance of new railways in sparsely settled territory has been the obstacle in the way of (Peace River development). Yet the Peace River district comprises a tract of 12,000,000 acres of rich agricultural land and has yielded wheat of high grade. In the southern portion of the district is an extensive coal field. Development of these resources of the district is retarded by lack of sufficient facilities for exportation of goods from the district.

CONFUSING THE ISSUE
From The Toronto Globe

(Toronto supporters of the St. Lawrence waterway accuse Montreal interests of misleading propaganda.) The intimation that Canadian power would be sacrificed to Americans is one of those ridiculous statements that are being passed around to confuse the issue. Any one who wishes to know the facts can peruse the report of the Joint Engineering Board which has been published. It shows that there is an international stretch of 115 miles in which part of the power belongs to the United States and part to Canada. On the other portions of the waterway the power generated would be wholly within Canadian territory. As far as we are aware, no suggestion has been made that the United States should have any power except that produced in its own domain.

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1. When does one's obligation to a guest begin?
 2. What is the first act of hospitality?
 3. Upon reaching the house, what does the hostess do first?
- THE ANSWERS**
1. The minute she steps off the train.
 2. Take her checks and arrange for the delivery of her luggage.
 3. Show the guest to her room and leave her alone to freshen up.

Bridge
Me Another

By W. W. WENTWORTH

(Abbreviations: A—ace; K—king; Q—queen; J—jack; X—any card lower than 10.)

- 1—What is meant by unblocking?
- 2—When is it advisable to throw the lead?
- 3—When you hold J 10 X X X, how many outside quick tricks are required to bid it initially?

THE ANSWERS

- 1—Giving up a high card to help partner make remaining tricks in his hand.
- 2—When you desire to have opponents lead up to you.
- 3—Three.

The WEATHER

Daily Bulletin, Published by the Victoria Meteorological Department

Victoria, Jan. 27.—The barometer is abnormal high over this Province and cloudy, mild weather prevails. Zero temperatures continue in Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

Reports

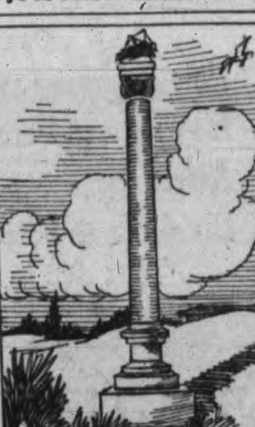
Victoria—Barometer, 30.50; temperature, maximum yesterday, 45; minimum, 40; wind, 14 miles N. rain, trace; weather, clear.
Vancouver—Barometer, 30.44; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 40; wind, calm; rain, 0.8; weather, fair.
Kamloops—Barometer, 30.54; temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 23; wind, calm; snow, 4; weather, cloudy.
Barkerville—Barometer, 30.23; temperature, maximum yesterday, 24; minimum, 20; wind, calm; rain, 0.2; weather, clear.
Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 30; wind, 4 miles S.E.; rain, 44; weather, cloudy.
Estevan Point—Barometer, 30.36; temperature, maximum yesterday, 46; minimum, 44; wind, 4 miles S.E.; rain, 0.2; weather, clear.
Tatoosh—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 44; wind, 36 miles E.; rain, 0.2; weather, clear.
Portland, Oregon—Barometer, 30.44; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 36 miles S.; rain, 0.2; weather, clear.
Seattle—Barometer, 30.44; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 40; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Temperature

Place	Max.	Min.
Victoria	45	40
Vancouver	44	40
Penticton	28	22
Grand Forks	28	22
Nelson	27	21
Swift Current	30	8
Calgary	30	8
Edmonton	22	10
Qu'Appelle	20	10
Regina	20	10
Winnipeg (snow, trace)	3	13
Toronto	18	10
Ottawa	6	0
Montreal	24	24
St. John	24	24
Halifax	24	24
Dawson, Y.T.	2	2

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JOTS FROM GEOGRAPHY



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MODERN CAR FERRY

To the Editor:—Among the current news items of the day the following appeared a few days ago:

London, January.—An order for an 8,000-ton train ferry, for use between New Orleans and Havana, has been placed with the Ewan Hunter Company of Wallsend.

The point in this item of news which is of interest to Vancouver Island is that the ferry is to be a motor car ferry, as the information that car ferries are progressing like other things in this world, and that there is nothing fantastic about the idea of a motor car ferry. What does an 8,000-ton ferry mean? What number of freight cars does it represent? Why is the Island not better served in this respect? Why?

ISLANDER.

THE CITY PENSION SCHEME

To the Editor:—The majority of the City Council are in favor of a pension plan for city employees, that proposes to pay pensions to those who have for many years had the good fortune to obtain a well paid job, at a time when a large number of ratepayers have had the greatest difficulty in paying their taxes.

Many have lost their property for very small sums compared with the value put upon it by the city. With the money obtained from the employees have been paid (in full) the ratepayers' liabilities, and their liabilities are reduced to zero. This is nothing else than adding to their pay for a long term of years after they had been paid in full all along.

This addition to these people's wages and salaries comes out of the already overburdened ratepayers' pockets, and is an illegal charge, as nothing whatever is owing to the persons concerned. If the City Council wish such people to receive pensions at our expense they must first obtain our sanction as there are very large sums consumed in the matter.

The council certainly has no authority to continue payments to persons who are not working. There was never an agreement of this kind with the employees. Of course it is easy to see the council's reason for avoiding a vote. If one be taken this precious piece of injustice will be turned down. It can only continue if the council defy the ratepayers and seize the money to carry it out. Once put the question squarely before the ratepayers it is decided.

If there are any of the city's employees whose age, etc., qualifies them to receive the old age pension, I hope they will get it, but this, of course, will not apply to the higher-ups, whose means are far beyond the limit allowed.

C. J. BROWN.

905 Hereward Road, Victoria West.

JAIL TERM FOR FORGERY

Saskatoon, Jan. 27.—Pleading guilty in the district court here yesterday to the forgery and uttering of eight cheques on the Canadian Bank of Commerce, sixteen separate charges in all, Steve Pochodzik, aged twenty-seven, was sent to jail for one year with hard labor by Judge E. A. O. McLaughlin. The sentence was a year on each of the charges, but taking a merciful view, the judge ordered that the terms ran concurrently.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

The Victoria Daily Times, January 27, 1903.

At a recent meeting of the directors of the Albion Iron Works it was decided to place the management of that institution in new hands. T. H. MacDonald, the newly-appointed manager, arrived from the East to-day, and this afternoon assumed the duties connected with his office.

More school accommodation for the children, and the year's estimates, were the two important subjects discussed by the school trustees at a special meeting which was held on Friday evening. The question of appointing another teacher to the High School was brought up, and at a subsequent meeting will be further considered.

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URGES SETTLEMENT
FOR VACANT LANDS

Leading off for the Opposition benches in the debate in reply to the Speech from the Throne, Col. Fred Lister, Conservative of Creston, made a strong plea yesterday for a system of land settlement that would result in the placing of settlers on lands which had been abandoned in settlement areas. He also sought the consideration of the Government in an application for the formation of an irrigation district in his riding; advocated a change in the system of mail order purchasing of liquor permits; and voiced a protest against the custom, which he alleged had grown up on Government road work, whereby the foreman operated the cook house, charging exorbitant rates for board from those working under him.

ATTACKS INTEREST RATE
The chief criticism which Col Lister directed against the administration was contained in his references to land settlement. He declared that under the old Agricultural Credits Act, the mortgage charge was limited to 1 per cent. To-day the Minister of Finance was "boasting" that the Province was borrowing money at a rate of 4.42 per cent, and it was in turn charging settlers more than 3 per cent more for the money advanced. He argued that to settle the lands, increase production, and eliminate the large importations of food products that should be provided within British Columbia, every possible assistance should be given to the bona fide settler.

In speaking of the efforts that had been made by a locality in his riding to become incorporated as a water district, the speaker said that when a delegation had visited Victoria on the subject, the delegates had been advised to return to Creston and secure a strong supporter of the Government on the delegation before presenting their views on the Executive Council. Despite this, however, the application had been refused, although the lands had been highly productive and there was no risk incurred. He urged that the application be favorably considered, even if the Government would use it for election purposes. It means the development of the district, he said.

LIQUOR REGULATIONS
In criticizing the Liquor Act operations the speaker complained that tourists were given greater advantages than were well-known residents of the Province. The day after New Year, he said, a tourist could walk in to a vendor's store and pay his \$2 and obtain a permit without identification. A genuine settler, however, who had been in the Province for some distance from the store, and who held a permit from the preceding year, and who might be well-known, could not send in and secure a permit by mail without filling in different forms and swearing to his identity before a notary who could make the usual charge for his service.

The Creston member declared himself in favor of the Marketing Act, saying that it had met the expectations of those who supported it last session, and had operated satisfactorily. He had the handicaps that it faced in its initial session. He complimented the Government on acquiring the services of F. M. Black as head of the Central Committee.

Amery Tells of
Efforts Made By
Britain at Geneva

Montreal, Jan. 27.—The British Government eagerly accepted an invitation to the Geneva Naval Conference and there submitted proposals aimed at reducing fleets, as much as possible, to a defensive, police basis. Rt. Hon. L. C. M. Amery, British Secretary of State for the Dominions, told the Navy League of Montreal in an address last night.

He regretted these proposals had been rejected—had met with mere crude, statistical answers.

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Loins 2 to 3 lbs., per lb.28¢
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Aymer Assorted Soups (except Chicken) 3 tins for35¢
Spencer's Pickles, 2 lbs. for35¢
Ivory Soap Flakes, per carton 10¢
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Hillsdale Asparagus, 2½, per tin34¢
2½, per tin22¢
Puccini's Lion Brand Macaroni, Spaghetti, etc., per pkt.14¢
King-Beach Plum Jam, 4s, per tin25¢
Quaker Pasa, No. 5, 2 tins for25¢
Hillsdale Asparagus Tips, 1s, per tin25¢
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Clark's Tomato Catsup, per bottle18¢
Little Rose Pasty Flour, 7-lb. sack35¢
Steina Corned Beef, 1s, per tin22¢
Baker's Cocoa, ½, per tin25¢
Nelson's Jersey Milk, Nut or Vanilla Chocolate Bars18¢
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JUDGMENT RESERVED ON SETTLEMENT ACT

Powers of Board Questioned in Case Before Appeal Court

Judgment has been reserved by the B.C. Court of Appeal in the Land Settlement Board versus Rattenbury action, in which the status of the Land Settlement Act is questioned.

Mr. Justice Morrison ruled that the board could be used in this action without a fiat. He also ruled that J. M. Rattenbury had cause for action in his damage claim against the board, arising out of their order for him to do development work to the extent of \$250,000 on 40,000 acres in the Bulkley Valley involving roughly \$100,000.

Appeal against the decision was taken on behalf of the board.

Appeal was also taken for Mr. Rattenbury against Mr. Justice Morrison's judgment in leaving the trial judge to decide whether the act was ultra vires of the B.C. Legislature.

Appeal is proceeding in the action of McArthur & Company Limited versus Fagan and Mutual Life of Canada Insurance Company, an appeal from an order in a mechanical lien action. The claim is for two items, \$124.30 and \$140.30, for furnaces installed in ad-

joining properties of one owner. The insurance company is a mortgagee. It is claimed the County Court judge had no power to consolidate the claims to correct a defect in an affidavit leading to lien.

J. A. Clark appears for appellant and W. C. Brown, K.C., for respondent.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

The annual general meeting of the Saanich Ward Four Liberal Association will be held to-night in Marigold Hall at 8 o'clock. All Liberals are invited.

An interlocutory decree of divorce to Rosina V. Collins from Leonard P. Collins was granted January 14 in the Superior Court of the State of Washington.

Peter Hanlon, charged with seduction, was dismissed on this count by Magistrate Jay this morning when C. L. Harrison, city prosecutor, dropped proceedings against the accused. Hanlon was already under sentence for supplying liquor to minors.

Tenders for the annual supply of fish, coal and other supplies are being called by the city, returnable at the office of the City Purchasing Agent, S. Mitchell, by 2 p.m. January 30. Specifications may be seen at the office of the city purchasing agent.

Evidence will be heard by Mr. Justice Morrison at a date to be set next week regarding the date on which the partnership between W. J. Taylor and W. Brethour commenced. The accounts of the law firm were referred to the registrar for an accounting from January 1, 1919. New evidence on the partnership date is now offered.

Daughters and Maids of England, Primrose Lodge No. 32, will entertain the Old Ladies' Home Monday with Frank Merryfield, the magician, in charge of an excellent programme. A choir from the Primrose Lodge will sing Old Country songs, and leading artists of the city will assist in the musical programme.

The Christian and Missionary Alliance is arranging for a missionary convention to be held here from February 7 to 12 inclusive, when Dr. Newberry and several missionaries from the field will be present. Announcement will be made at the meeting of the alliance this evening at 8 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. Daniel Walker.

The Saanich School Board last night prepared preliminary estimates for the routine requirements of the year. Trustees Hobbs and Horner were absent through illness. Next Friday, February 3, the board will meet the principals of the schools at 7:30 in a round-table conference, and will afterwards confirm the estimates tentatively approved last night.

Library costs and the proportion in which these are to be shared by Victoria and the three neighboring municipalities of Saanich, Oak Bay and Esquimalt will be the subject of a joint conference between the Library Board and municipal representative at 4 p.m. to-day. The Library Board is asking for an upward revision of rates paid by the outlying municipalities, and to-day's gathering is called in an effort to arrive at a decision that will be agreeable to all.

The preparation of estimates in three separate lists showing eighty-five per cent of the normal budget, the additional fifteen per cent, and an overflow or surplus list is impracticable, according to City Comptroller D. A. Macdonald. The presentation of city estimates in this form was requested by the City Council on motion of Alderman H. C. Holmes on December 19 last. After studying the plan for some time city officials are now of the belief that the innovation would retard rather than speed up the work of presenting the estimates for the year.

At a fully attended meeting of the Cottage Gardeners' Association, Ward Seven, Saanich, held at the home of the president, J. Simpson, on January 23, it was decided to wind up the association. The funds were disposed of as follows: A bond held by the association to be returned with accrued interest to the Hamilton Hall Bursar; Bowling Green; the sum of \$24.40 received from the sale of vegetables in 1925 and 1926 will be handed over to the Tillicum School piano fund; the balance of \$84.00 to the Queen Alexandra Solarium. The tables, etc., were given to the Burnside Athletic Association.

The question to be considered at the convention is the matter of entering the Canadian Legion.

PRISON FOR BOYS FOR CABIN THEFT

Stole Property of Eighty-year-old Otter Point Resident

Sentence of six months on Charles Davidson and four months on his younger brother Robert was passed by His Honor Judge P. S. Lampman in the County Court this morning. The sentences start from the time the boys were arrested, January 17.

The trial took place yesterday, the two lads being charged with stealing a shotgun, sack of flour and a fishing rod from the cabin of Clement O'Brien, the eighty-year-old resident of Otter Point. The brothers had been left in charge of the cabin when he left for Victoria. O'Brien told the court. The articles were missing when he returned.

Constable Richard Meadows, Sergeant Robert Owens and Constable Alex. MacBryne gave evidence of the recovery of the articles.

LOCKLEY IS HEAD OF SCHOOL BOARD

Trustee Alexander Lockley, newly elected member of the Esquimalt School Board, and already holding office as a municipal councillor, was chosen by the board as chairman for the ensuing year at its first meeting since the election, held at the Lamson Street School last night.

Beginners will be received at the Lamson Street School on Wednesday, February 1, according to an announcement made from the principal, A. Hutchinson. This fact the board will advertise.

A report from Miss Ethel Morrison, school nurse, stated that Junior Red Cross work had been started in hygiene and home nursing in Divisions one and two. During the last month twenty-nine homes had been visited, and where pupils were ill. Colds were the chief complaint and 141 treatments had been given in the nursing clinic.

At a special meeting February 9 the estimates for 1928 will be considered by the board.

NON-VEGETARIAN LIQUOR FORGIVEN FOR CANADA

To develop a market in Canada for Norwegian hard liquor which he declares should be popular in a cold country like most of Canada, Alex. Broderen, general manager of the commission administering liquor control in Norway, has arrived in Victoria. He is also investigating the demand among Scandinavians in this country for Norwegian liquor, which he finds is very popular among such residents.

Mr. Broderen does much of the liquor buying for the Norway monopoly, himself going to the vineyards of France and Spain and to the distilleries of Scotland every year to place his order.

Profits from the liquor industry in Norway, he said, run about \$14,000,000 a year and these profits are used to care for inebriates, to provide pensions and for other public services. In his country, he explained, liquor permits are not required and buyers can get their drinks by mail order.

TOURIST BUSINESS MAY BE EFFECTED

Required Deposit on Tourists' Effects May Injure Flow of Visitors

Urging that the new regulation demanding a deposit on sports goods being brought into Canada be abolished, R. H. B. Ker and S. J. Helle spoke to the directors of the Chamber of Commerce to-day. It might be, they both declared, harmful to Victoria's tourist trade.

B. C. Nicholas declared that the regulation was a relatively unimportant thing, and said that to bring about a change representation would have to be made through Hamilton and Montreal Boards of Trade.

George McGregor was favorable to immediate action, he said. There was reason the Victoria to feel some apprehension, and that a regulation should have been passed which would really do serious hurt to Canada's revenue, he was sure. The regulation was a nuisance, said Mr. McGregor.

J. O. Cameron said that there should be no reservations on sporting equipment.

Mr. Nicholas agreed with him. But he opposed too much freedom in the matter of tourists' goods free entry to Canada, saying that it was the wish of the Chamber of Commerce to have the smuggling which had cost millions to suppress.

Mr. Cameron moved that the directors go on record opposing the regulation, and that eastern Boards of Trade and the proper authorities be notified of the directors' decision.

Explaining that by building a new wharf at the south side of the Brentwood Indian Reserve that it would bring Mill Bay within fifty-five minutes of Victoria by road and ferry, B. C. Oliver urged upon the directors of the Chamber of Commerce to-day the desirability of this connection. It would mean a great assistance in the development of the south side of Victoria up-land, he declared.

A permanent wharf and a half hour ferry service would bring many hundred automobiles to use this route, he said.

A strong petition had already been prepared, he went on, and he wished the directors' sympathy in the movement.

R. E. Webb, speaking personally, said that a speedier ferry service would mean a big advantage to commercial motor traffic and to tourists.

A petition to the Government was necessary to bring action, Mr. Webb said.

A committee should investigate the situation, B. C. Nicholas thought. He wanted to know the cost of a new wharf and other such things.

"If we are supporting this thing we should not sign a petition," said Mr. Nicholas.

A committee of the directors was ordered appointed to meet the Publicity Bureau directors and discuss the ferry project.

Following a complaint from Charles Williams, Rockland Avenue, that the delivery in that district was unsatisfactory, the Chamber of Commerce took action here with the result that at the meeting to-day Mr. Williams wrote that the service had been improved and thanked the Chamber for its efforts.

OBITUARY

Word has just been received of the death of William McDonald, only son of the late W. T. McDonald, formerly Live Stock Commissioner of the Province. He attended South Park School, and was one of the brightest scholars there at the time of his death.

He was the son of his father, with his mother and three sisters, removed to Minnesota, U.S.A. from whence news was received of his death, which was very sudden. He was seventeen years of age.

The funeral of the late Donald J. McIntyre, who passed away in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, January 24 will be held Saturday afternoon, the cortege leaving the S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home, corner Quadra and Broughton Streets, at 2:15 o'clock, proceeding to the Belmont Union Church, where service will be held at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. James Hood will officiate, and interment will be made in the family plot at the Royal Oak Burial Park.

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The funeral of the late John Cox took place yesterday afternoon from McCall Brothers' Funeral Home. The service was conducted by Rev. W. Leighton. Capt. C. F. L. Money, H. Callow and T. Comber attended the service, representing the Army and Navy Veterans. Mrs. Chambers, representing the Pro Patria branch of the Canadian Legion, and P. A. Stock, representing the T.B. Veterans, intervened with the following as pallbearers: R. L. Price, W. Wright and T. Burns of the Army and Navy Veterans, and E. Hayes of the Canadian Legion.

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Admiral of U.S. Talks of Arming Of Merchant Ships

New York, Jan. 27.—The New York Times says: "One of the assertions made by Rear-Admiral Charles F. Plunkett in his talk before the National Republican Club here last Saturday was that eighteen months before the World War actually broke out Great Britain had begun to prepare for it by arming her merchant ships and that when war was actually declared, she had thirty-nine of the biggest ships afloat armed, with the guns on them mounted and men there who knew how to fire them." And the admiral added: "Are we going to wait for that? I don't think so."

This passage was not included in the first reports of the admiral's address and was noted only when its stenographic text became available.

Rear-Admiral Plunkett is commandant of the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

Opposition to Mussolini's Rule Growing in Italy

London, Jan. 27.—The London Daily Herald, Labor newspaper, in a dispatch from the "Italian-frontier" says Fascism is threatened with a crisis somewhat resembling the Trotsky crisis in Russia, which resulted in the exile of some thirty-odd opponents of present Soviet Government policy.

The dispatch says several prominent Fascist leaders, including Roberto Farinacci, former secretary of the Fascist party, and Edmondo Bersani, head of the Fascist Trade Union, are threatened with severe disciplinary measures and banishment to the Lipari Islands for trying to create dissension in the party, especially in the militia and trade unions, and for demanding democratization of the party.

The Herald says the oppositionists accuse the Government of being in league, through the Ministry of Corporations, with profiteers and big employers and of checking every attempt of the Fascist Trade Union to resist wage cuts or enforce the labor laws.

The Government is threatening strong measures. The Herald says the Government, nevertheless, is uneasy, for apart from the Farinacci opposition, the Fascist rank and file is dangerously discontented and might lend powerful support to the oppositionists in the event of open strife.

YOUTH ON TRIAL TELLS OF SEATTLE POLICE THIRD DEGREE

Ottawa, Ill., Jan. 27.—Harry Hill, on trial here for his life, charged with the murder of his mother, was placed in the witness chair last night to testify, in the absence of the jury, to mistreatment at the hands of Seattle policemen, who, he claimed, tried to force a confession from him.

The defence demanded an opportunity to prove Hill was mistreated at Seattle and was granted it.

The state insisted it had merely to show no duress was exercised in obtaining the statement from young Hill in order to make it legal as evidence.

Hill told the court he was put through a strenuous third degree examination by the Seattle officers.

For nearly twenty hours he was kept without food, he said. Frequently an officer would hand him a cigarette and another one would hit him across the mouth. They would tell him to sit down, stand up, sit down, in a protracted routine, he said.

Officers told him, he said, he might as well confess, as if he had not they would put a rope around his neck and hang him anyway.

SUPPORT ASKED FOR ANTI-CANCER FIGHT

Montreal, Jan. 27.—A call for immediate and generous support from the public of Canada for the medical battle being waged against the modern enemy of mankind, cancer, was voiced at a meeting at McGill University yesterday.

Figures regarding the scourge were brought out to show the seriousness of the situation.

Of deaths among persons over thirty-five years of age, one woman out of every seven dies from cancer and one man out of every ten dies from the same deadly disease. Such was the statement of Dr. John Gervais, chairman of the Royal Canadian Cancer Society, the American Society for the Control of Cancer. Cancer deaths in Canada totalled 6,000 a year, he said, while 100,000 victims made the toll in the United States.

NEW JUDGE NAMED

Winnipeg, Jan. 27.—F. A. Loftus, K.C., yesterday was appointed a judge of the Court of King's Bench of Manitoba to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Justice Curran.

GRIPPE LEFT SYSTEM WRECKED

Tanlac Completely Restored Health and Strength

Grippe and flu are bad enough in themselves, but the after-effects are often worse because of the weakness and run-down condition of the whole system.

After a severe attack of grippe, Mde. Wilfred Outin, 1194 Sommerville St., Montreal, found herself "completely wrecked. The pains in my lungs were most severe," she writes, "the cough was aggravating, shortness of breath and choking sensations made life almost unbearable, and I did not know which way to turn for relief. I read in the papers the good that Tanlac had derived from Tanlac so decided to try it and it sure met every need in my case. I have taken Tanlac, off and on, for the past ten months and have put on 14 pounds in weight. My appetite is good. I sleep well. In fact, I am enjoying the best of health."

Tanlac is the big, bracing, strengthening tonic that rebuilds the system that is weakened and wasted by illness.

Tanlac is purely vegetable—made of roots, bark and herbs—nature's own medicine for the sick. The cost is less than 2 cents a dose. Get a bottle from your druggist to-day. Your money back if it doesn't help you.



LINDY'S MEDAL AND ITS MAKER—That medal of honor which Congress recently voted Lindy for his New York-Park hop is nearly ready for presentation as may be seen from the obverse view at the left. Working on it at the right is its maker, Charles S. Hoffman, Government engraver at Philadelphia.

WIDE REORGANIZATION TO STRENGTHEN CUSTOMS SERVICE OF CANADA IS RECOMMENDED

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branch should be composed of trained men who have a good knowledge of the law, regulation and organization of the department. Their duty should be to investigate all reported cases of fraud on the revenue to have the power to examine books and records relating to custom entries in the custody of importers, to investigate and report on the prices of the imported articles in the country of origin and generally to carry on all investigations regarding all frauds on the revenue.

The recommendations we make in regard to appointments to the preventive service should apply also to the method of appointment in this branch.

CHANGES IN AUDITING

The commission finds that the audits as conducted by the different branches of the department were "neither prompt nor thorough."

This refers particularly to the audit made by the sales tax auditors, according to the report.

"Either from lack of sufficient officers or from the incompetence of the auditors, the audit in the sales tax branch is greatly in arrears," says the report.

"In some cases no audit has yet been made, and in other cases only at long intervals. The whole situation in this regard is highly unsatisfactory."

"We found the auditors in most cases prior to their appointment as such were without any experience in accounting or auditing and only gained what knowledge or skill they do possess from experience in connection with their work in the department."

"We are of the opinion that none but persons with special training in accountancy should be appointed to this branch of the service and the positions should not be filled as at present by promotion from other positions in the department of officers who have had no training or experience in accounting or auditing. We therefore recommend that the appointment of auditors be made in the manner we have recommended for the appointment of skilled or expert officials in other branches of the service."

The commission recommends that the collection of sales tax should be entrusted to the income tax branch of the department.

The commission finds that no amendment to the Anti-Smuggling Treaty with the United States is necessary if certain suggestions which it makes are adopted and embodied in instructions or regulations. Notwithstanding the provisions of the treaty, states the report, smuggling to the United States "is still persisting on a somewhat extensive scale."

"This smuggling has been greatly facilitated by individuals, firms and corporations carrying on business in certain provinces of Canada as exporters of liquor," the report declares, pointing out that evidence taken in large quantities of liquor exported in bond from Canada never reached their declared destinations and that the evidence was strong that the liquor comprised in such shipments had been smuggled into the United States. In many cases landing certificates were produced to the customs that our investigation showed to be forged and fraudulent.

"We are convinced the export houses are established in practically every case for the purpose of selling liquor to be smuggled into the United States and that they exist for no legitimate purpose whatever. Some of these export houses have customs bonds and we recommend that all these bonds be cancelled."

AID FOR PROVINCES

"As all of the provinces of Canada have either assumed control over the sale of liquor or have prohibited it altogether, the principle of the Doherty Act should, in our opinion, be extended to prohibit the export from any of these provinces by any one other than the provincial governments or the manufacturers."

"We also express our entire concurrence in the recommendation of the special committee of the House of Commons as contained in paragraph 10 of that committee's report. An effective method of carrying out the intent of the treaty would be to prohibit clearances to vessels or vehicles of all kinds carrying cargoes of liquor to the United States, contrary to the laws of that country."

PORT REGULATIONS

The commission makes certain suggestions with regard to administration of the customs ports. It suggests the examination of bulky goods might take place in the warehouse of the importer instead of the examining warehouse. The collector at a port should have

the power of suspension, the commission declares. Officers at the ports should be properly instructed in their duties.

In pointing out the importance of the Department of National Revenue as a collecting agency, the commission states that in the fiscal year ended March 31, 1927, the sum of \$345,241,967 was collected by the various branches which now form the department.

NUMEROUS SESSIONS

The first public session of the commission was held in Ottawa November 17, 1926, and the last public session was held in the same city September 14, 1927. In the interval public sittings were held in every province, at Victoria, Vancouver, Calgary, Regina, Winnipeg, Ottawa, Toronto, Hamilton, Windsor, Niagara Falls, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax and Charlotte-town.

The commission counsel were Hon. N. W. Rowell, K.C., and R. L. Calder, K.C., and assistant counsel were R. B. Law and Gordon Lindsay.

Angina Pectoris Warns Man to Change Habits

By DR. MORRIS FISHER

William Osler once said, "Many a man's life has been saved by an attack of angina pectoris."

By this statement he signified his belief that the attack of angina was a warning to the patient as to the condition of his heart. As a result of the angina, the patient changed his habits of living and gave a crippled heart a chance to exercise its functions more satisfactorily.

Angina pectoris is a frequent cause of sudden death. The pain comes on suddenly and severely and is an indication that the circulation of the blood to the heart is being interfered with in some definite manner.

In many cases when reports announce that a person has died suddenly of acute indigestion, the cause is the throwing of unusual burden on a crippled heart. In such instances usually the person has eaten a large meal and has been lying in such a position that the overdistended stomach pressed upon the heart.

In its search for methods of treatment of this condition, medicine has discovered no more immediately beneficial remedy than rest.

However, there are several drugs, such as nitroglycerine or amyl nitrite, which have the power of suddenly lowering the blood pressure and thereby relieving greatly the pain that accompanies this condition.

Recently physicians have been at work on operations which would disconnect the nerves that carry the sensation of pain from the heart to the brain.

The operation is difficult and not particularly life-saving, since it does not relieve the condition or lead to a cure, but does stop the warning symptom. Thereby, it causes the patient in some instances to undertake activities for which he is in no way competent and leads to a more sudden death than might otherwise have been the case.

NEW PLANE DEVICE SUCCESS

Washington, Jan. 27.—The Handley-Page automotive spot, designed to minimize or prevent nose dives, stalling and incipient tail spins, was put through a series of tests at the naval air station here yesterday and pronounced a success. Rear-Admiral Moffett, chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics, termed it one of the greatest safety devices ever invented for aeroplanes.

Sage Tea Dandy to Darken Hair

By DOROTHY LANG

You can turn grey, faded hair beautiful dark and lustrous almost overnight if you'll get a bottle of "Weyth's Sage and Sulphur Compound" at any drug store. It costs only 75 cents. Millions of bottles of this old famous Sage Tea Recipe, improved by the addition of other ingredients, are sold annually. Says a well-known druggist, because it darkens the hair so naturally and evenly that no one can tell it has been applied.

Those whose hair is turning grey or becoming faded have a surprise awaiting them, because after one or two applications the grey hair vanishes and your dark locks become luxuriantly dark and beautiful.

This is the age of youth. Grey, faded, unattractive folks aren't around, so get busy with Weyth's Sage and Sulphur Compound to-night and you'll be delighted with your dark, handsome hair and your youthful appearance within a few days.

(Adv.)

Final Reductions for January Sale

BARGAINS IN MEN'S CLOTHING



Suits and Overcoats For Men January Bargain, \$14.75

Overcoats of heavy materials shown in new colorings and weaves, and in newest styles. Plush or silk lined; dressy appearance heavy coats. Regular \$30.00 values for **\$14.75**

Men's Suits of English worsteds and tweeds, made in double or single-breasted models, exceedingly well tailored and in latest colors and weaves. Regular values \$22.50 for **\$14.75**

A Fine Wool Tweed or Worsted Suit for \$23.75

This final reduction in Men's Suits for January Sale provides one of the greatest values of the year.

Suits of all-wool worsteds and tweeds and some blue serges. Made in both single and double-breasted models and well tailored and trimmed. Numerous shades and patterns to select from, such as blues, herringbones, fancy worsted and light and dark tweeds, each **\$23.75**

—Men's Clothing, Main Floor

For Boys We Offer Two-bloomer Tweed Suits for \$5.00

Tweed Suits with two pairs of lined bloomers, coats with double elbows, pants with double seats and knees. Near fitting models; sizes 33 to 36, a suit **\$5.00**

—Boys' Store, Lower Main Floor



In the Men's Shoe Department, Main Floor, Saturday

Boots at

\$5.95

Heavyweight Work Boots with double welted soles and soft uppers, black or brown; all sizes. A pair **\$5.95**

Men's Work Boots with soft, pliable uppers, bellows tongue and waterproof "Panco" soles, Goodyear welts. At a pair **\$5.95**

Men's "Chief of Police" Work Boots, box calf lined uppers, heavy double waterproof soles, Goodyear welts. At a pair **\$5.95**

Men's Pumps, a Pair, \$2.90

Men's Patent Leather, Turned Sole Pumps. An extra special bargain, a pair **\$2.90**

"Dr. Locke's" Cushion Sole Boots, a Pair, \$6.85

Cushion Sole Boots of soft, black vicia kid, extra wide and comfortable fitters. On sale, a pair **\$6.85**

—Men's Shoes, Main Floor

Men's Panco Sole Boots

On the Bargain Highway, a Pair

\$3.95 and \$4.45

Panco Sole Work Boots, with pliable elk leather uppers; waterproof. They wear well and fit comfortably; all sizes. A pair **\$3.95**

Men's Boots with Panco soles and heels and plain toes. Excellent work boots. A pair **\$3.95**

Men's Panco Sole Boots with box kip uppers, medium-weight; sizes 6 to 11. A pair **\$4.45**

—Lower Main Floor

Boys' Panco Sole Boots

On the Bargain Highway

\$2.95 and \$3.95

Boots with Panco soles and heels and bellows tongue. For school wear. A pair **\$2.95**

Boys' Panco Sole Boots with calf uppers, medium weight. Great wearers; sizes 1 to 5½. A pair **\$3.95**

—Lower Main Floor

52-piece Blue Willow Dinner Sets

Each Set Includes—

6 dinner plates
6 lunch plates
6 tea plates
6 soup plates
6 fruit dishes
6 cups and saucers

On Sale Saturday

\$12.50

A Set

Gravy boat, pickle dish, salad bowl, covered vegetable dish, soup bowl, platter, sugar and cream.

—China, Lower Main Floor

Men's Underwear on the Bargain Highway

Men's Merino Shirts and Drawers, natural shade, medium weight; shirts, sizes 36 to 44; drawers, sizes 34 to 36, a garment **69c**

Men's Ribbed Underwear, soft and wooly, elastic knit, unshrinkable, shirts with double fronts, all sizes, a garment **\$1.15**

Combinations, a suit, **\$1.95**

—Men's Furnishings, Lower Main

Triple Rapid Shredders

Set of Three for 89c

Triple Rapid Shredders for fruit or vegetable salads or steamed dishes. Set of 3 for **89c**

—Hardware, Lower Main

Black Beauty Roast Pans, 75c

Black Beauty Roast Pans, self basting, double roasters, 14x9 size, on sale, each, **75c**

—Hardware, Lower Main Floor

The "Instant" Butter Churns

At Reduced Prices, Saturday

Blow Butter Churns are rapid and easily kept clear—

Two-quart size, each, at **\$2.00**

Three-quart size, each, at **\$2.50**

Four-quart size, each, at **\$3.00**

—Hardware, Lower Main

Cereal Canisters Each, 15c

Dutch Cereal Canisters in white and blue, regular 25c each, on sale for **15c**

—Hardware, Lower Main Floor

Men's Flannelette Pyjamas and Night- shirts

All Big Values

Men's Flannelette Nightshirts, with collars and pocket. Several sizes, each **\$1.29**

Flannelette Nightshirts, "Well-Wear" brand, fancy stripe patterns. Collar and pocket, each **\$1.95**

Flannelette Pyjamas in kite-front style, finished with pocket and silk loops, a suit, **\$1.75**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Men's Fine Rib Sweater Coats, \$6.50

Fine Rib Stitch Sweaters, "Pride of the West" brand, "V" neck and two pockets. A variety of heather shades, on sale, each **\$6.50**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor



Underwear for Men

Several Bargains Saturday

Cream Cashmere Shirts and Drawers, English make, "Viking" brand. Winter weight, with spliced seats, knees and elbows; shirts 40 to 44, drawers 34 to 42. Regular, a garment, \$4.50. On sale for **\$2.69**

Combinations of the same make; sizes 40, 32 and 44. Regular, a suit, \$8.00. For **\$5.25**

Natural wool mixture, Elastic Rib Shirts; sizes 40, 42 and 44. Tiger brand. Also Robi Hood brand, natural wool mixture Shirts and Drawers; size 36 only. A garment **\$1.19**

Turnbull's "Cetee" Brand Drawers; sizes 46 to 42. Regular to \$4.50 a pair. For **\$2.00**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor



Men's Fine Shirts

Bargains Saturday at

\$1.49 and \$2.49

Fine Broadcloth Shirts with separate collars to match; stripe patterns on white or blue ground. Each **\$1.49**

Broadcloth Shirts, plain or fancy patterns, each with separate collar to match; sizes 14 to 17½. On sale for **\$1.69, \$1.95 and \$2.29**

High-grade Bisleey Cord Shirts, each guaranteed; stripe patterns on a light ground. Each shirt has one starch and one soft collar to match. On sale, each **\$2.49**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Shirts for Men at Low Prices on the Bargain Highway

Negligee Shirts of percales and prints, fancy check or stripe patterns; with collars to match. Each **59c**

Negligee Shirts, with stripes of mauve, blue and grey; collars to match. Sizes 14 to 17. Each **69c**

Broadcloth or Woven Percale Shirts, fancy patterns; with collars to match. Each **89c**

—Bargain Highway, Lower Main Floor

Boys' Jerseys

On sale, Saturday, for **\$1.00**

—Boys' Store, Lower Main Floor

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Final Reductions for January Sale

A Variety of Bargains for Saturday



Women's COATS

Plain and Fur-trimmed

Final Reductions for January Sale

Velour Coats with shawl collars and cuffs of fur. Neat, fashionable styles, lined and interlined, each **\$13.90**

Velour Coats, fur trimmed; Stylish Tweed Coats and a few Gabardines. Double-breasted and fully lined, each **\$17.90**

Coats of velour or broadcloth, trimmed with moulton or opossum, shawl or mushroom collars; silk lined. On sale, each **\$24.90**

Women's Raincoats Greatly Reduced

Raincoats in loose or wrap-around styles; of rubberized rayon silk; green, flame or blue. Regular values to \$9.90 for **\$6.90**
Rubber or Oilskin Coats, tailored styles, trimmed with contrasting shades. Green, grey, plum, red and black. Regular prices to \$12.90 for **\$9.90**
Gabardine, Rubberized Silk and Oilskin Coats, many shades to select from. Regular prices to \$19.75 for **\$12.90**



Women's Dresses

On Sale for **\$7.95 and \$10.95**

A selection of Dresses, including wool jerseys, cloth dresses and silks, all in newest styles, and neatly trimmed Smart, dressy and attractive frocks in dark or light shades, **\$7.95 to \$10.95**

Corselettes Saturday, 95c

Corselettes of rayon striped cotton, lightly boned at back and front, side hook, elastic panels in side and four hose supporters. A January Sale bargain at **95c**
Corselettes for growing girls, short style with elastic insets in sides, four strong hose supporters and tape shoulder straps. Made of cotton brocade, a real big value at **95c**



Rayon Silk Slips and Sets

Values to \$3.98, on Sale for **\$2.68**

Two-piece Rayon Lingerie Sets, comprising vest and bloomers trimmed with net and shown in dainty shades. On sale for **\$2.68**
Rayon Silk Slips of good quality, plain style or with nine-inch frill, values to \$3.98. On sale for **\$2.68**

Two-piece Wool Suits

For Small Boys

\$3.50 and \$3.95

English Two-piece Jersey Suits of fine cashmere, neat style for ages 2, 3 and 4 years; shown in rose, fawn and blue. On sale for **\$3.50**
Little Boys' Two-piece Knitted Suits, shown in Saxe and fawn, fawn and Saxe, and salmon with black and white. Look like hand knit, and sizes for ages 2 to 5 years. On sale for **\$3.95**

Women's Sample Neckwear

Regular \$2.75 to \$4.75, to Clear at **98c and \$1.98**

Collar and Cuff Sets, Vestees and Jabots of georgette, lace, crepe de Chine and linen, values to \$2.75, reduced to clear at **98c**

Fancy Vestees, Jabots, Collar and Cuff Sets and Novelty Pieces in all the newest designs and dainty fabrics, regular to \$4.75. To clear at **\$1.98**



Women's High-grade Shoes On the Bargain Highway

Values to \$10.00, Saturday, a Pair,

\$3.89

A large selection of High-grade, Fashionable Shoes taken from our First Floor Shoe Department and marked at this very low price. There are patent straps and pumps, blonde straps and pumps, brown calf Oxfords, silver and gold straps and pumps. Values to \$10.00 for **\$3.89**

Sale of Remnants at Half Price

Continues Saturday on the Bargain Highway

Thousands of Remnants, including silks, satins, dress goods, flannels, wash goods, cretonnes, scrims, sheetings, pillow cottons, etc. All at **HALF PRICE**

Silks

On Sale, Saturday

Oddments in Silks, clearing up broken lines in colored satin, taffet, ninnons and fancy silks. All at final reductions for January sale, a yard **98c**

36-inch Black Satin, good heavy textures, makes up well. On sale, a yard, at **\$1.29**

Fancy Silks, Crepe de Chine and Rayons in choice colorings, a fabric suitable for draperies or children's wear, regular \$3.75 a yard, on sale for **\$1.98**

Plain and Fancy Check Flannels

On Sale, a Yard, 59c

A Fine Grade Flannel in check or plain shades of mauve, grey, powder blue, biscuit and rosewood. Regular \$1.00 a yard, on sale for **59c**



Clearance of Millinery

Saturday at \$1.98 and 98c

All the remaining Winter Millinery models and trimmed hats, to clear, Saturday, at. **\$1.98**

All Children's Winter Hats for ages 2 to 12 years, to clear at **98c**

Women's Wool Cashmere Hose

Regular to \$1.25 for

50c

Wool Cashmere Hose, full fashioned and seamless, with reinforced heel and toe; brown shade only. On sale for **50c**

Boys' "Diamond Knee" Worsted Hose

Regular 98c and \$1.25 for

50c

High-grade Wool Hose for boys, in neat 2 and 1 rib. On sale for **50c**

Digestive Tonic

An unfailing relief for indigestion, sour stomach, heartburn and gas. Pleasant to take and quick in action. Per bottle, **50c** and **\$1.00**

Kennedy's Stomach Bitters

Large bottles, old original formula. Each **\$1.25**

Eno's Fruit Salt

Large size, a bottle **98c**

Cotton-filled Comforters



Inexpensive Cotton-filled Comforters in double-bed size, with floral coverings, panelled in plain contrasting colors; very special at **\$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.95** and **\$5.95**
Crib Comforters in pink or blue paneled coverings, well filled with purified cotton. Regular \$2.75 each for **\$1.98**

Down-filled Comforters

Regular \$16.95 Each for \$10.95

Extra Well-filled Pure Down Comforters of fine quality floral, down-proof, coverings with contrasting panels. Comforters that sell regularly for \$16.95, offered as a real month-end bargain at, each **\$10.95**

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Crib Comforters, Regular \$2.75 Each For \$1.98

Cotton-filled Comforters for the baby's crib, shown in fancy coverings of blue or pink, nicely panelled. Regular \$2.75 each, on sale for **\$1.98**

Fine Table Linens at Great Reductions



Real Italian Cut Work and Hand-embroidered Bridge Sets, large selection of designs, cloth and four napkins, 36 sets only, regular \$6.50 each, to clear at **\$4.50**

Pure Irish Linen Lunch Sets with colored borders, cloth and four napkins, 43x43-inch size, on sale for **\$1.50**

54x54-inch size, on sale for **\$1.95**

Pure Irish Linen Damask Table Napkins in rose, lily, spot, pansy and other designs; for month-end clearance, each, at **29c**

Hemstitched Runners and Squares

Linen Finish Hemstitched Runners and Squares, at special prices for month-end clearance—

Squares, 32x32 inches, each **75c**

Squares, 36x36 inches, each **85c**

Runners, 18x45 inches, each **60c**

Mill Ends of Fine Lingerie Cottons

Values to 56c a Yard, for

19c and 23c

A splendid opportunity to secure extra fine Lingerie Nainsooks and Longcloths at less than half price. Mill End Lengths varying from 1 to 10 yards, regular to 56c a yard, to clear at **19c** and **23c**

Fine Shirts

On Sale, a Yard, 17c and 23c

Oxford Shirts in grey and light grounds, very durable for men's and boys' everyday wear, clearing at, a yard, **17c**
White Ground Fine Quality Shirts in printed and woven stripes that make very smart dressy shirts, regular 39c a yard, on sale for **23c**

Ready-to-use Sheets Each 98c

Ready-to-use Hemmed Sheets of good grade sheeting, double-bed size; 70x90 inches. On sale, each **98c**

Pillow Slips, 5 for \$1.00

Good Quality Pillow Cases for everyday use, made from reliable cottons. On sale, at, 5 for **\$1.00**

Towels and Towelings On Sale Saturday

All Pure Linen Roller Toweling with blue or red border, on sale, a yard **15c**
Extra Heavy Tea Toweling and Wide-width Roller Toweling, all pure linen, in colored checks and striped, a yard **20c**
All Pure Linen, Typed Glass Cloths with colored borders of green, mauve, orange and pink. On sale, each **25c**
All Pure Linen Roller Towels, ready for slipping on. Very durable quality, each **40c**
Oddments in Typed Twill Kitchen Towels with red or blue borders, clearing at, each **15c**
Absorbent Kitchen Cloths, white with fine blue stripes, all ready hemmed, with tape loops for hanging up. On sale, 2 for **25c**
Good Heavy, Hard-wearing Crash Roller Towel Lengths, 2 1/2 yards long, each **39c**
Turkish Face Cloths with fringed ends, 4 for **25c**

TABLE OILCLOTH LENGTHS

Oilcloth Table Coverings in light or dark grounds, with fancy designs or plain white. These have slight errors in printing, which in no way affect the wearing qualities of the oilcloth—
45x36-inch lengths, each **45c**
45x36-inch lengths, each **68c**
45x36-inch lengths, each **90c**

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FEBRUARY FURNITURE SALE

Starts Saturday, January 28, at 8.30 a.m.

Our Easy Payment Plan Without Interest makes it possible to buy all the Furniture and House Furnishings you need with a small initial payment. The balance may be paid in small monthly instalments to suit your convenience. Select your requirements now and take full advantage of our February Sale prices.

While this sale is store-wide, exceptional cuts are made in all 1927 cancelled designs of Beds, Furniture, Chesterfield Suites, Carpets, Linoleum, Draperies, etc., and in many cases we are satisfied with cost price to make room for new designs now in transit. Below are a few of the many bargains picked at random from our five floors, but in no way convey the immensity of the many bargains being offered. A small deposit will hold any article at sale prices. Free storage at our risk. Terms without interest.

Five Thousand Dollars Worth of Beds Springs and Mattresses

Accumulated for This Big Sale Event

If you read the shipping news you will see where the Canadian Merchant Marine steamer unloaded a large consignment of beds at this port. We prepared for this big sale event long before ice covered the St. Lawrence River and got a very large consignment direct from the manufacturer to this port, eliminating unnecessary handling and expense. We now pass this, direct buying, saving in handling, combined with our sale price, over to you. The prices below will convince you of our ability to offer you best values obtainable.

An All-steel Bed
Exactly like picture—has 2-inch continuous post and five 7-inch fillers and heavy bottom rail. For only **\$9.25**

Cane Panel Bed
Two-inch continuous post, six 1-inch fillers, with cane panel centre ivory or walnut. For only **\$11.90**

Steel Panel Bed
This is a heavy bed in shaded walnut with two-tone steel centre panel in head and foot; goes elegantly with walnut furniture. For only **\$12.90**

Arch Top, Grace-line Bed
With steel centre panel and grace-line fillers. Well termed grace-line, for its lines are indeed graceful. Ex. **\$18.50**

Combination Panel and Turned Fillers
In this steel bed of figured walnut, combined with grace-line and arch top, make this bed a picture, and will do justice to the finest furniture. A wonder for the low price of only **\$21.50**

Arch Top Grace-line Bed
With extra large steel panel, beautifully grained to match high-grade veneers. Exceptional value at **\$23.50**

Bed Springs
Specialized made for heavy people. Made of double woven wire, with heavy cable edge, supported with six bands of steel attached to strong helical springs. Can be adjusted for light or heavy persons. Great value at **\$6.45**

Coil Spring
An open type Box Spring that conforms to the shape and weight of the body; no side sway; no rolling to the centre. Has 80 deep cone springs, double braced and lock tied. A really wonderful spring for **\$8.50**

Cable Spring
Made of flexible steel cable wire on all-steel frame, with raised sides making a spring edge, each cable connected with separate springs top and bottom, giving individual rest to light and heavy persons alike. Sale price only **\$8.50**

Extra Strong Cable Spring
Guaranteed for twenty years. Made of flexible steel cable wire on all-steel frame and steel tubular side rails; high raised corners. Exceptional value at only **\$11.85**

Coil Spring
Made of high tempered carbon steel cone springs. Each coil interlocked with flexible helical that makes this spring permanent—springs—has no side sway attachments. Special sale price only **\$12.50**

Sagless Cable Spring
Guaranteed for twenty years. Made of flexible steel cable wire on all-steel frame, with double row or coil springs under, especially made for heavy people. Sale price **\$14.25**

No. 1 Special Bed Outfit



Heavy Continuous Post Steel Bed in walnut or ivory enamel, fitted with good sanitary double-mesh spring and an all-layer felted mattress, covered in art ticking. Sale **\$21.50**
\$2.50 Cash, \$2.50 Monthly No Interest



Jute Felt Mattress
Full-weight Thick Carded Jute Felt Mattress, made in layers and will not lump. Has four-inch stitched box edge. A great bargain at only **\$7.90**

Brown Felt Mattress
An inexpensive grade of genuine-felt, is warmer and softer than Jute, 40 lbs. in weight; has roll edge and made in layers. This is great value at **\$9.90**

White Felt Mattress
39-lb. Mattress of pure white cotton felt covered with twill art tick, a serviceable mattress. Exceptionally low price for the February sale **\$11.90**

Super White Felt Mattress
43 lbs in weight; built of a superior grade of pure white cotton felt; has stitched roll edge; is a thoroughly reliable mattress for the low price of **\$13.75**

Standard Mattress
This Mattress is made especially for us and is the pride of our Bedding Department. Made of super-white elastic felt covered in special grade art tick; has roll edge, bound with our own name imprinted on binding. Our name is your guarantee for this mattress. Special **\$15.50**

Standard Mattress de Luxe
Built in layers of 45 lbs. pure garnetted white cotton felt, stitched with Imperial edge satin covering. Special sale price **\$18.50**

Wool Mattress
Made from pure sheep's wool (not cotton) for those who feel the cold or are subject to rheumatism. Is it as essential for some to sleep on wool as it is to wear it. This is a beautiful pure wool; invites sleep; always warm. Special **\$26.50**

Steel Cot and Mattress Complete
2.6x6.0 Steel Cot with strong spring and thick box-edge felt mattress. Useful as extra single bed; can be folded when not wanted. Wonderful value at, complete **\$9.75**

Single Bed Outfit
This is an all-steel bed with low head and foot, steel spring and box-edge felt mattress. Complete outfit for only **\$14.90**

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No. 2 Special Bed Outfit



Heavy Continuous Post Bed with steel cane centre panel, guaranteed no-sway coil spring and felted mattress. Special **\$29.25**
\$3.00 Cash, \$3.00 Monthly No Interest



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Special Prices on Linoleums

Remnants of All Grades Up to Ten Square Yards at 1/4 Off

Painted-back Floor Oilcloth
Varnish-Finished Floor Oilcloth
In patterns and colors for dining room, hall or kitchen; six feet room, Regular 65c. Per square yard **58c**

Heavy Printed Linoleum
Solid Cork Base Printed Linoleum in an assortment of designs, suitable for any room; six feet wide, Reg. 96c. Per square yard, **\$9c**

Extra Heavy Printed Linoleum
As above, but heavier, with extra surface coat of enamel and exclusive designs; six feet wide. Regular, square yard, **\$1.25**. Sale price, **\$1.10**

Inlaid Linoleum, \$1.39
Genuine Stain's World Renowned Inlaid Linoleum. Patterns right through to the canvas back. Patterns for all rooms. Regular **\$1.55**. Sale, per sq. yd., **\$1.39**

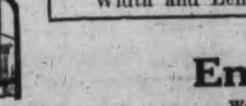
Standard Inlaid, \$1.65
Heavy grade, suitable for hard wear; patterns right through to the canvas back. Regular **\$1.85**. Sale price, square yard, **\$1.65**

Super Inlaid, \$1.85
Extra heavy imported quality for hardest kitchen wear; reg. **\$2.05**. Sale price, square yard, **\$1.85**

CONGOLEUM RUGS AT REDUCED PRICES
Size 6.0x9.0. Reg. \$7.75 for **\$7.00**
Size 7.6x9.0. Reg. \$9.75 for **\$8.75**
Size 9.0x9.0. Reg. \$11.75 for **\$10.50**
Size 9.0x10.0. Reg. \$13.65 for **\$12.50**
Size 9.0x12.0. Reg. \$15.50 for **\$13.95**

Odd Sizes Window Shades ONE-THIRD OFF

Bring Your Measures—Width and Length



English Prams
We are sole agents for the famous Lloyd's English Prams, built like a car. New gondola low understrung body, mounted on patent cradle springs, shock absorbers and cushion tires; tangent spoke wheels, nickel-plated fittings, loose cushion seats, improved lined adjustable hood and storm cover. Celluloid handles, etc. Prices range from **\$39.00** to **\$65.00**
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Novelty Furniture

The Vogue of To-day

Take advantage of our immense selection at sale prices

Take elevator to Fifth Floor

Solid Walnut End Tables, Specialty priced, at only \$9.00

Handsome Solid Walnut End Tables and Bookcase Combinations. Sale price, only \$13.95

Radio Table—16x30 top, with shelf below for batteries; very strongly made, walnut finish. Sale price, only \$6.90

Radio Table, in Queen Anne design. Made of birch, walnut finish, has pretty closed panel front, in two-tone effect. Very special. Sale price, only \$13.50

Oval Centre Tables, in solid walnut and book rack under. Sale price, only \$21.50

Gate-leg Tables, in solid walnut, the everyday tea and card table of dignity and stability and can be used as end or centre table. Sale price, only \$23.75

Drop-leaf Polished Gate-leg Tables, in walnut finish. Most useful for extra dining or tea tables or for card parties, etc. Only 12 inches wide when closed, 42 inches when fully open. Substantially built. Very special. Only \$12.25

Walnut Chesterfield Tables—So great is our stock of Chesterfield tables that, put end for end would reach from Yates to Fort Street. These are all being offered at sale prices—in solid walnut. \$26.90

Walnut Extension Drop-leaf Table—Most useful for combination dining, living-room. Opens up to 44x66 inches and will sit 6 people comfortably. 3 only to clear. Reg. \$51.00. To clear **\$43.50**

Gate-leg Extension Tables, in Old English oak in Tudor period design, solid construction, opens to 6 feet. Sale price, only \$49.00

Card Tables, \$3.35—Suitable for many purposes, cards, etc. Reg. \$4.00. Exceptional value at **\$3.25**

Card Tables, \$4.95—Extra heavy, solid oak reinforced top. The strongest card table on the market. For only **\$4.95**

Dinner Wagons at Great Reductions

Four only walnut finished Dinner Wagons, large wheels, extra server tray. Reg. \$32.00. Slightly marked. Clearing at **\$19.75**

One Only, Solid Walnut Dinner Wagon, slightly marked. Reg. \$37.75. Sale **\$29.00**

No-mar Drop Leaf Dinner Wagon, with extra serving tray, drawer for cutlery, large rubber tired wheels. Exceptional value at **\$39.75**

New Lacquer Art Furniture, in red, green, black, etc. Gives snap and life to the sitting-room and relieves the heavy look of the large chesterfield suites. Try a piece at these Saving Prices.

Newspaper Holders—Three tier. Sale, only **\$7.75**

End Tables. Sale, only **\$5.75**

Round Centre Tea or Card Tables. Sale price, only **\$10.75**

DOWN QUILTS

Reduced Prices

Full-size bed, in satin tick; all colors. Sale **\$12.90**

Full bed size, satin border, ventilated; all colors. Sale **\$15.90**

Extra size, super-quality satin border, ventilated; all colors. Sale **\$24.75**

Dining-room Furniture at Great Savings

Breakfast-room Suite of 6 Pieces—Buffet, drop-leaf table and four chairs. Decorated grey and rose, cream and blue or walnut finish. Special for January sale. Complete suite **\$54.25**

8-piece Dining Sets—Solid oak buffets with two cutlery drawers, large linen drawer, with good roomy cupboards. Round top extension tables, fitted to a heavy pedestal and a set of six dining chairs in genuine leather. Finish, Windsor brown. Special **\$98.50**

8-piece Solid Oak Dining Set—Consisting of buffet, oblong extension table and set of six diners in genuine leather. Windsor brown. Special **\$105.00**

Oak Dining-room Suite—Queen Anne design in Old English finish, mirror-back buffet, table extends to 6 feet; six leather-seated diners; very stylish suite indeed **\$115.00**

Walnut Finish Suite—Consisting of 60-inch mirror-back buffet, with double top, four drawers and ample cupboard space; set of six fiddle-back Queen Anne dining chairs with genuine leather slip seats and oblong extension table with reinforced centre leg. A very handsome suite, at **\$155.00**

A Beautiful 9-piece Antique Oak Dining-room Suite with low-back buffet, oblong extension table, China cabinet with centre glass door and wood panel sides and ends and one arm and five small diners covered in Spanish leather. Reg. \$225. Sale **\$169.50**

9-piece Walnut Suite, reg. \$256.00, sale \$195.00—This reduction seems incredible. Nevertheless it is correct. This suite is a manufacturer's sample suite, in French walnut; consists of oblong table, six chairs, buffet, design. One suite only. Reg. \$256.00. for **\$195.00**

A 9-piece Walnut Dining Suite, well constructed and finished, and of a good design. 60-inch buffet, china cabinet, extension table and set of six diners. Special **\$225.00**

A 9-piece Walnut Dining Suite of Spanish design and superior construction, panels finished in burr walnut of the finest quality. No-mar finish, will withstand hot dishes. An exceptionally fine suite for only **\$329.00**

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RUG BARGAINS

At this season we make a practice of clearing all last year's patterns. Among the assortment are some exceptionally high-grade rugs. We are offering some wonderful bargains for speedy clearance.

2 Only, Super Wilton 6.5x9.0, fawn ground, rose and blue floral pattern, regular \$84.00. To clear **\$69.00**

1 Only, Standard Wilton 9.0x9.0, grey ground, blue, black and rose conventional design; regular \$69.25. To clear **\$49.75**

1 Only, Extra Super Wilton 9.0x9.0, taupe ground, jade green and rose floral pattern; regular \$94.75. To clear **\$69.75**

1 Only, Extra Super Wilton 9.0x10.6, sand ground, blue, rose and grey floral pattern; regular \$107.00. To clear **\$87.75**

1 Only, Super Wilton 9.0x10.6, taupe ground, mulberry and black floral pattern; regular \$92.75. To clear **\$77.50**

1 Only, French Wilton 9.0x10.6, linen back, royal blue ground, taupe and rose pattern, very suitable for dining-room; regular \$123.25. To clear **\$97.50**

1 Only, Imported Seamless French Wilton 8.0x11.0 gold ground, black, blue and mulberry Oriental design; regular \$105.00. Sale **\$85.00**

1 Only, Imported Seamless French Wilton Black ground, jade green and rose floral pattern; regular \$105.00. To clear **\$85.00**

1 Only, Super Wilton Sand ground, mulberry and black floral design; regular \$105.00. To clear **\$85.00**

1 Only, Standard Wilton Grey ground, black, mulberry and jade green floral pattern; regular \$89.75. Sale **\$69.00**



\$50.00 to \$100.00 Will Put a New Range in Your Home at Sale Prices Without Interest.

Bargains in Ranges

Range Exactly As Picture

\$52.00

Has four-hole, polished steel top and warming closet, white enamel oven door, reinforced oven (back and sides with asbestos lining), adjustable dampers, Duplex flange, front and side draughts, heavy, nickel-plated. Good baker and heavy, nickel-plated. February Sale price only **\$52.00**
With enamel high closet **\$62.00**
18-inch oven, 6-hole top **\$62.50**
Same with enamel back **\$72.00**

SPECIAL SALE OF CHESTERFIELDS

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"SALADA" TEA

Langford

Langford, Jan. 27.—Four new pupils were enrolled in the junior term this week, viz., Patricia Looney, Billy Pimott, Hamish Bullen and John Bullen. Dr. Irene Bastow Hudson, school medical adviser, and Miss H. G. Kelly, school nurse, visited the school on Wednesday morning and announced particulars of an essay on "How to Be Healthy," on which it is requested every pupil write. Dr. Hudson has offered two prizes for the best paper from the senior grade and the best one from the junior grade. All the schools in the Esquimalt rural nursing service, with the exception of Goldstream, will take part in the essay competition, namely, Albert Head, Luxton and Happy Valley, Colwood and Langford schools. The prizes will be awarded at the second Mayday health parade.

The Langford people who heard the

Kitchen Cabinet Band from St. Saviour's Church, Victoria West, last Summer will be delighted to know they will visit the Colwood Hall on Wednesday, January 31, with an entire new programme. Tickets may be obtained from Kenneth B. Hincks, Holmwood, Goldstream Road.

EVIDENCE DESIRED

Toronto, Jan. 27.—It was stated at the offices of H. S. Oser here to-day that Mr. Oser had been in Europe for a month and was not expected to return to Toronto until next May. Washington dispatches had said the United States Senate committee planned to ask appointment of a commission to come here and question Mr. Oser, who was head of the now defunct Continental Trading Company, in connection with the Teapot Dome oil reserve lease inquiry.

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PRO PATRIA BRANCH HAD ACTIVE YEAR

Reports at Annual Meeting Show Organization Is in Sound Condition

A large gathering attended the annual general meeting of the Pro Patria branch of the Canadian Legion, held in the clubrooms, 626 Courtney Street, on Wednesday, when the secretary read a gratifying report of the branch's business during the year.

Included among the many and varied activities were the securing of the pensions for five comrades, with retroactive amounts aggregating \$2,008.75; finding employment for fifty-five members; assisting needy comrades; visiting the sick and assisting in the last rites in connection with the passing of comrades and members of comrades' families.

A healthy financial condition was revealed, and membership was given as 878 fully paid-up members.

Reports were presented by the finance, sick, entertainment, ways and means, Goodwin defence committee, all of which were adopted with thanks to the members of the different committees.

A report was read outlining the work of a Women's Auxiliary, which was received with enthusiasm. A hearty vote of thanks was passed.

Comrade C. A. Gill was the unanimous choice for president, and Comrades F. A. Robertson and J. Bowit were the choice of the meeting for first and second vice-president, respectively. The following were elected to the executive committee: Comrades H. Anscomb, H. A. Bowden, G. Bryson, D. M. Campbell, T. G. Coventry, T. Davies, B. H. Garnett, H. W. Hart, J. Hinchcliffe and A. E. McKillop. Comrade W. H. Johnston was elected sergeant-at-arms by acclamation.

Comrades Morrison, Fox and Corcoran were re-elected to the Armistice Period committee, and Comrade H. D. Twigg, H. P. Thorpe and H. W. Hart were selected for the district council of the Canadian Legion.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the retiring president, Comrade J. H. Gillespie, who in reply expressed his pleasure at having served a year in the chair, and assured the meeting of his intention to continue to serve the organization in his capacity of immediate past president and ex-officio member of the executive committee.

EXTEND MARKET ACT GENERALLY, BRUHN ADVISES

Salmon Arm Member Sees Menace in Flooding Province With Farmers

While British Columbia "bit off more than it could chew" in trying to control the marketing of vegetables as well as fruit, the only logical thing to do now under the circumstances is to extend the marketing act to cover the entire Province. With this advice to the Legislature, yesterday R. R. Bruhn, Conservative of Salmon Arm, advanced a series of constructive suggestions to the Government designed mostly to assist the man on the land, and the struggling settler in pioneer districts.

Mr. Bruhn urged the House at the outset to remember that the welfare of the farmer was largely the welfare of British Columbia, and that the Province could not be prosperous while the farmer was in difficulties. The problems of agriculturists, he emphasized, are greatly aggravated by the inroads of the Orientals, who were not being deterred at all, he added, by pious resolutions of the House. As all action by the House so far had failed utterly to halt Orientals he saw no use talking further about the question, although he could not see how white farmers would succeed when they had to face competition from a race of lower living standards.

FEARS FARM INFLUX

The organized efforts of railway companies, governments and business generally to bring more farmers into the Province when those already here were having a hard time to make ends meet was roundly condemned by the Salmon Arm Member.

"No one suggests multiplying our doctors, lawyers or professional men," he said, "but we find an organized attempt to increase the competition against our farmers even when the agriculturists we have now cannot sell their produce."

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tampering which would interfere with the investment of capital in the Province, Mr. Bruhn approved the marketing act as a step in the right direction as voluntary co-operation appeared to be extremely difficult in British Columbia. The act, he said, should have been confined to fruit at its inception at least but to make a success of the experiment, it should be extended to all parts of the Province so far as it applied to fruit and vegetables, which are now being controlled, he urged.

Mr. Bruhn protested against the action of the Government in charging farmers 7½ per cent interest for money loaned by the Land Settlement Board and expressed the opinion that this was illegal under existing legislation. If this were so the surplus charged should be returned to the settlers immediately, he declared.

HIGHER PAY URGED

Payment of fire fighters at forty cents an hour, the legal minimum wage in the lumber industry instead of the present scale of twenty-five cents was advocated by Mr. Bruhn as simple justice to settlers and working men who were conscripted forest rangers from time to time and who thus lost heavily.

After asking the Government whether it intended to build the last link of the Transprovincial Highway, Mr. Bruhn announced himself in favor of removing road building from politics altogether by putting it in the hands of a highway commission. There is too much politics in road work now, he declared, adding that the Province is inclined to forget the road needs of settlers in its scramble to build highways for tourists. He urged that all road contractors be bonded so that the government could award contracts to lowest bidders in all cases without fear that the work would not be properly finished.

Amendments to the Mothers Pensions Act were advocated by Mr. Bruhn to make it unnecessary for a woman to dispose of her property before she could secure a pension.

He concluded with the advice to the House that it sell the Pacific Great Eastern Railway as fast as possible as experience had proved the futility of government railway ownership.

Cathedral Workers Guests at Smoker

About fifty men employed on the building of the new Christ Church Cathedral were guests last evening of the Cathedral Men's Guild at an informal smoker held in the Memorial Hall. Capt. Walter Brown, president of the guild, presided and welcomed the guests. Short speeches were made during the evening by the architect of the new building, J. C. M. Keith, Fred Parfitt representing the contractors, R. W. Marsh, Beaumont Boggs, Dean Quinton and the Bishop of Columbia. Mr. Keith, at the invitation of the Bishop, was given three cheers and a tiger. Community singing was indulged in and refreshments were served under the direction of J. W. Robinson.

Metchosin

Metchosin, Jan. 27.—There was a very good attendance of residents at the meeting held in the hall on Wednesday evening to consider plans for altering and enlarging the hall. Rev. H. M. Bolton was elected to the chair. F. F. Prudd reported that the building committee had been considering two plans, one for extending the hall on the north side, the other for making use of the space between the hall and the entrance hall and for dressing rooms, thus making the hall sufficiently large to be used as a badminton court. The cost of both plans was about the same. A third alternative was then proposed—that the present stage committee-room be removed, and the building extended at the stage end. The meeting voted in favor of the latter plan. H. C. Heigensen moved that the committee-room be removed, that an addition of twenty-eight to thirty feet be made to that end of the hall, thus providing adequate floor space with a stage and committee-room, which would meet all requirements. This was carried unanimously. Mr. Heigensen also proposed that entertainments be held to raise the money for the lumber, and that the labor be voluntary, himself offering two of three days' work. F. F. Prudd proposed that three separate entertainment committees be formed. This was carried, and A. D. Ellwood, F. F. Prudd and H. G. Heigensen were elected to the latter committee. After considerable discussion the meeting voted in favor of pulling down the old sheds and using the material as required. H. G. Pierce offered to operate with the committee in providing a suitable fence on that side of the property. A. P. Ellwood proposed opening a subscription list so that the necessary money might be raised and the work be proceeded with, and it was decided to have a subscription list placed in the Metchosin general store. Mr. Dillon suggested that the old trees be removed. The meeting being then adjourned, refreshments were served by Mrs. Arden, Mrs. McKivier and others.

The preached at the afternoon service at St. Mary's Church, Metchosin, at 3.15 o'clock, will be the Right Rev. the Bishop of Columbia.

MURDER VERDICT

Miami, Fla., Jan. 27.—Hornace Alderman, alleged run runner on trial in United States district court here in a charge of murder in connection with the slaying of two United States coast-guardmen on board a patrol boat forty miles off Fort Lauderdale in August, 1927, was found guilty by a jury last night.

Keating

Keating, Jan. 28.—The members of the Young People's Club of the South Saanich United Church presented their annual play in the Temperance Hall on Tuesday evening before a packed house, over 250 people being present, many attending from the surrounding districts and Victoria, and before the music commenced at 8 o'clock every available seat was taken. "Safety First," with a cast of ten, was then played chosen for this year.

The scenery used in the play was the excellent work of S. Stoddart, assisted by other members. A programme of music was rendered between acts by Miss Florence Hambley at the piano and Mr. Boshier on the traps.

Ice cream was sold by members of the club throughout the evening, and refreshments were served by members of the Ladies' Aid to the players at the conclusion of the performance. Mr. Heyer took charge of the door receipts. The cast was as follows: "Jack O'Connell," Stuart Stoddart; "Jerry Arnold," Mr. Lee; "Elmer Plannel," George Hafer; "Abou Ben Mocha," Albert Hafer; "McNutt," W. McLure; "Mabel," Margaret Michell; "Virginia,"

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The members and congregation will have a short meeting after the morning service at the South Saanich United Church on Sunday morning, January 29, when the election of board of officers for 1928 will be held. Members of the congregation are invited to attend the joint banquet, social to be held with the Sidney circuit in Sidney on Monday evening, February 6, when the annual reports from the various organizations connected with both churches will be given, to be followed by a short programme.

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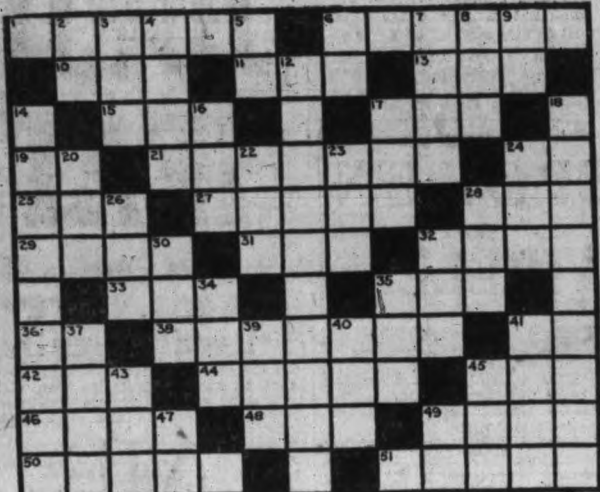
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE



HORIZONTAL

1. Who wrote "The Compleat Angler" (a fishing idyll)?
2. Who is the president of Harvard University?
3. To hasten.
4. To recede.
5. English coin.
6. Foot of an animal.
7. Domestic swine.
8. You and me.
9. Allied by kindred.
10. Half an em.
11. More fastidious.
12. Wand.
13. Elm or maple.
14. To piece out.
15. Os.
16. Eucharist vessel.
17. Any flat fish.
18. Standard of type measure.
19. An ointment.

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SEASON RAISES

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

was fun. I guess it does a person good to labor now and then."

"And now," the funny slim man cried, "We'll drive the animals all inside. And then we'll all can rest. It's been a very tiresome day." But when the whole bunch looked around, the animals could not be found. While everyone was busy they had turned and run away.

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To-morrow's Horoscope

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 1928

Kindly stars to-day rule affairs on the planet Earth, according to astrology. It is a time for energetic action.

There is an especially promising sign for those who deal in real estate: it encourages the desire to possess lands.

The year will be marked by the purchase and the construction of new homes in all parts of the country, it is foretold, for people will realize the importance of holding real property.

Agriculturists have much that is encouraging in the posting of the stars, for laws will aid them, despite unfavorable apprehensions.

Food prices are to rise again and there will be an increase in exports of staples, the seers prophesy.

The aspects which affect prices of

grains also are read as indicating renewed interest in diet and wiser methods of assuring the right sort of sustenance for the human needs.

Astrologers prophesy that increase of nervous diseases, as well as many forms of kidney trouble will be traced to fashions in clothing and diet.

This should be a favorable rule for newspapers and it presages an immense amount of advertising and personal publicity.

Surprises are indicated for politicians

and the seers forecast for the U. S. presidency a man of extraordinary ability. He will have a broad knowledge of international affairs, it is prophesied.

Age is to have a renewed value in the eyes of the world, which has been in the thrall of the youth movement, astrologers announce.

Girls will assume the modes and manners of their grandmothers. It is prognosticated, as one of the outward signs of the general reaction against

certain standards of behavior in the last decade.

Persons whose birthdate it is probably will have a year of increased wealth, for the stars presage gains through wiles and lucky investments.

Children born on this day have the augury of lives of great prosperity. The church lures many subjects of this sign.

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ELLA CINDERS—Famous at Last



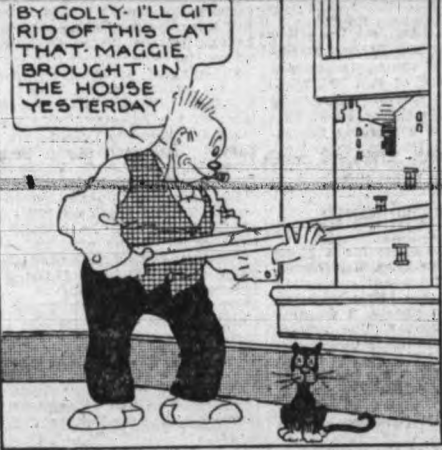
—By BILL CONSELMAN and CHARLIE PLUMB

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES—Opal Is Particular



—By MARTIN

BRINGING UP FATHER



—By GEORGE McMANUS

IN THE ROUGH—The Mystery Deepens



—By HOWARD FREEMAN

THE TINYMITES

STORY BY HAL COCHRAN—PICTURES BY KNICK



(READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE)

The Tynmites sank and worked away. To build a mud house was like play. Wee Scouty said, "Just see my hands. They're black as black can be. But I know what we all can do. We'll wash up clean when we are through. And for a towel we'll use big leaves from off a nearby tree."

And then the slim man jumped and cried, "Say, I need food in my inside. We'd better rest and wash up now. Then I'll prepare a meal." "Oh, fine!" cried Carpy. "Come on, bunch. Our friend suggests a dandy lunch. He says that he is hungry. That's exactly how I feel."

They found a stream not far away, and shortly Carpy shouted, "Hey! Quit splashing water on me. I will catch my death of cold." Then Clowzy snapped, "Don't be cross at us. I'm really at a loss to know why you find fault so much and always have to scold."

They finished washing very soon, and then the slim man said, "It's noon, and just the proper time to eat. I have a

treat in store. Now watch this clever trick I'll do." He brought a basket into view, and said "How's that? It's full of food. Just what we're craving for."

The Tynmites ate like all kids would, and found the food was very good. And then they all returned to work upon their barn again. It wasn't long till it was done, and Scouty said, "Well that

MUTT AND JEFF—Jeff Was Surprised and Pleased

MUTT CROWNED ME WITH A BUCKET AND I'M SEEKING REDRESS IN THE COURT. I'M SUING HIM FOR FIVE HUNDRED BUCKS FOR DAMAGES EVEN THOUGH I KNOW HE AIN'T GOT A THIN DIME! I'M GONNA PLEAD MY OWN CASE AND ALL I WANT IS A MORAL VICTORY!

IT WAS LIKE THIS, JUDGE! MUTT AND I WERE IN THE LION TAMERS' CLUB AND I WAS MINDING MY OWN BUSINESS WHEN SUDDENLY MUTT GRABS A BUCKET AND—

PLEASE SPEAK SO THE LADY AND GENTLEMEN CAN HEAR YOU!

LOUDER, PLEASE!

MY WORD! ARE THESE PEOPLE INTERESTED IN THE CASE, TOO?



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FINDS NO EVIDENCE OF GRAFT

Commissioner Discovers No Foundation For Charges Against Liquor Officials

No Bribes or Dereliction of Duty Revealed, Says Murphy Report

No evidence of corruption among Liquor Board officials has been revealed, according to the findings of Hon. Denis Murphy, Commissioner to enquire into allegations made before the Customs Commission in Vancouver in the Fall of 1926 to the effect that Government officials were in receipt of pay from certain distillers and liquor agents. These findings were filed in the Legislature Thursday afternoon by Attorney-General Manson, at the request of R. H. Foote, Opposition leader.

In March, 1927, Hon. Mr. Justice Murphy filed an interim report in which he explained that in the absence of J. F. Wilcox and H. F. Reifel, who were purported to have knowledge of the alleged payments he would adjourn pending their return to British Columbia.

In November, the final report explained, Reifel returned to the country and was examined. Wilcox, the Commissioner was informed, is now the manager of a brewery in Japan. "This being so, it seemed futile to our Commission to retain longer the commission issued by you to him, and it is herewith returned with this report," concluded the Commissioner.

REIFEL'S EVIDENCE

In reference to Reifel's evidence, the report states: "He admitted that he had written such of the documents which were produced before the Royal Commission for the Dominion Government as at the first hearing were alleged to be in his handwriting. He explained that they represented payments to agents in the United States for Kennedy's Limited. Such payments, he stated, were for services in promoting in that country the sales of said company's goods. In reference to others of the documents he stated that he could not remember the particular transaction to which they referred, owing to the lapse of time since they were written and owing to the great number of vouchers which he had to pass upon, during the period when these particular documents were written, in his capacity as managing director of Kennedy's Limited. He stated expressly that none of these vouchers represented payments to any person in the employ of or in any way connected with the Liquor Control Board."

NO BRIBES SHOWN

In his summing up of the evidence that had come before him, the Commissioner said: "In view of Reifel's evidence, your Commission can only confirm the conclusion submitted in the interim report, namely, that on the record no satisfactory evidence has been adduced which shows any improper payment made or other improper consideration given to any officer or officers, employee or employees of the British Columbia Liquor Control Board, or to any officer or officers, employee or employees in the service of the Department of the Attorney-General for British Columbia, and that no satisfactory evidence was given implicating any of the persons above mentioned in any wrongdoing, or showing any of them to have been guilty of any dereliction of duty or of any breach of trust in connection with their services to the British Columbia Liquor Control Board."

"In one instance a vendor admitted that in connection with the delivery of beer the regulations made by the Control Board were not strictly adhered to by him. He explained that this was done to accommodate certain clubs. No evidence was given that he in any way personally benefited by adopting this course of action."

The ubiquitous lobbyist who fills the corridors of the Legislature with cigar smoke day and night, who makes the lives of honorable members a continual burden and who is forever wanting something impossible done or undone, ought to be ejected from the precincts of the House altogether, George A. Walkem, Conservative of Richmond-Point Grey, protested yesterday.

Just as the House was about to adjourn Mr. Walkem sprang to his feet and demanded what Mr. Speaker O. Buckham intended to do about "the disgraceful" lobbying which had gone on during the recent sessions and was being resumed now. He said it was most objectionable to members to have the corridors of the House forever crowded with lobbyists.

Premier MacLean expressed keen sympathy with the protests of the Conservative Member. He explained, however, that no one could enter the lobbies of the House without a card signed by a Member. The control of lobbyists was thus with the House itself and not with the Government, he said.

This minor explosion is expected to result in a tightening up of the rules governing the use of lobbies and a more careful scrutiny of the activities of lobbyists.

B.C. AIRWAYS TO OPEN AERODROME
Official Opening of Landsdowne Road Hangar Takes Place To-morrow

Two Aircraft to Be Christened and Exhibition Flights Made

The official opening of the Landsdowne Road aerodrome of the British Columbia Airways Limited, will take place at 1:30 p.m. to-morrow, it is announced by Ernest Eve, president, and Cecil Eve, manager. The Mayor and Reeve of adjoining municipalities have been invited to attend.

Exhibition flights are to be given in the two machines now on the grounds, the Driggs Dart II, a two-seater, and the Alexander Eagle Rock, a three-seater. Some of the official guests will be taken for courtesy flights after the ceremony, which will consist of the christening of the two aeroplanes.

The aerodrome and both machines have been inspected by Flying Officer A. H. Hull, R.C.A.F., from Jericho Beach, who granted the necessary certificates.

Great interest is being shown by the public in the flying now being conducted at the aerodrome, and already a number of student-pilots have entered their names for the course at the commercial flying school.

After the ceremony to-morrow the public will be given an opportunity to inspect the machines, the operation of which will be explained by exhibition flights in both aircraft.

CITY OFFICIALS COMPLIMENT MEN OF POLICE FORCE

Acting Mayor and Magistrate Jay Chief Speakers at Annual Banquet

Commissioner Staneland Says Force Is Sound; No Superannuation Yet

Forecasting a year of co-operation and agreement between executive offices and the men who enforced the laws, a year of system and constructive policies on the part of the police commission and the department, city officials spoke last night at the annual banquet of the Federal Police Association held at police headquarters.

The first move of the company was to pay respectful tribute to the memory of Albert Wells, constable, who was killed in the performance of his duty in an automobile mishap some weeks ago.

"There is a vacant chair at this board this evening," said President Benjamin Acreman. "It was formerly occupied by Constable Albert Wells, whose recent death we all mourn. He was a man who did his duty to the police association and to the public conscientiously and efficiently," said the president. "We will rise and pay a moment's tribute to our brother officer."

In silence the company stood until the orchestra had concluded the first bars of a solemn funeral march.

COMPLIMENTS FORCE

Bringing greetings from the city to the banquet of the Federal Police Association, Acting Mayor William Marchant spoke to the officers and guests assembled. He greeted them as friends, he said, and paid a compliment to the men of the force for the fashion in which they customarily purged their duty.

Sounding a note of solemnity, Alderman Marchant expressed his grief at the passing of Constable Albert Wells. But Victoria was a city notably free from serious crime, he went on. For this he gave credit to the police force and such officers as Albert Wells.

ON PROTECTION

Speaking of superannuation matters, Alderman Marchant, who had pressed the fight for such provisions for service, said that no man need worry for his old age. The men who had given their best strength to the service of the public and the protection of a city, should have some assurance of support in declining years, he thought.

Alderman Marchant enjoyed his association with the department, he said, trusting the men, realizing their assiduity in the pursuit of crime and remembering with some awe the fear which he had had for policemen in his youthful years. This fear has changed to a lasting respect, he declared.

THUNDEROUS WELCOME

"For nearly twenty-one years I have occupied the position of police magistrate in this city, and it is with a great deal of pleasure that I meet men here with whom I have been associated during all that time," said Magistrate George Jay.

His Honor picked the veterans around the table, Sergeant Woods, Sergeant Blackstock and Constable Wesley Hesper, who had been in the force when he first took office.

The speaker joined with his audience in deploring the untimely death of Constable Wells. He had known him as an excellent officer, he said, and with anecdote and humor the magistrate spoke to those present and aroused loud applause and laughter.

The spontaneous outburst which greeted him was testimony to the popularity of the oldest police magistrate, in point of service, in British Columbia.

Police Commissioner Walter Staneland spoke briefly. As the years passed, said the commissioner, the more appreciative he became of the police and their work. Ever since the election of 1922 he had studied carefully the police systems and problems

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EVERY MAN SOUND

There was no need, the commissioner went on, for any man of the force to feel apprehension as to superannuation. The plan which the city police had decided to adopt would prove beneficial and satisfactory in every way, he said. There was not a man on the present force who was not capable of doing his duty. Therefore no changes were necessary, he concluded.

President Acreman introduced Commissioner William White. He spoke very briefly, looking forward, he said, to happy associations with the force and with the police commission.

The president thanked the ladies who had kindly assisted in making the banquet so outstanding a success. Artists, including R. R. Webb, Ernest Impett and Arthur Bishop and his orchestra, entertained the guests. Following the banquet dancing commenced and for some hours police headquarters rang to the echo of mirth and music.

SCHOOL CHANGE URGED

Toronto, Jan. 27.—Supported by representatives of the Y.M.C.A. and Boys' Work Board, F. M. Eslerman, before the Toronto Board of Education management committee yesterday protested against corporal punishment in the schools.

ISLAND OF TRINIDAD IS LECTURE SUBJECT

Speaking at the Metropolitan United Church last evening in connection with the second annual sessions of the Victoria Presbyterian of the United Church, Dr. Simon Fraser, who for twenty-eight years lived and worked among the natives of Trinidad, gave an interesting and instructive story of the life among the natives of that island. Dr. Fraser, who has recently come to live in Victoria, went out to Trinidad in 1894. Ill-health forced him to resign in 1922, but last year he went back to his mission ground for six months.

The island of Trinidad, said Dr. Fraser, is about 2,000 square miles in area and has a population of about 375,000, one-third of whom are descendants of slaves brought over from India in 1824 to work on the sugar plantations.

Mission work has been going on now in Trinidad for sixty years. Dr. Fraser pointed out. The first missionary to the island was John Norton. To-day a fine system of mission schools, all maintained by the Government, are effecting good work in the education of 15,000 children. The Government supplies the teachers, the church the building and equipment. There is also a theological college on

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the island with about thirty students from which ten have already been ordained to the ministry. There are more than 100 churches and teaching stations on the island, and a high school for boys with 100 students. The Trinidad schools are turning out good men, said Dr. Fraser in conclusion, and the missionaries might well be proud of their work.



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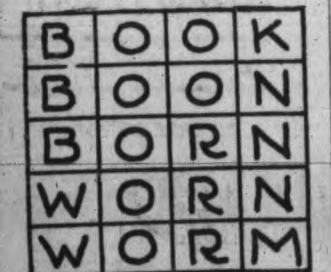
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Manufacturers' Life Sets Up New Record

The forty-first annual report of the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Company, as submitted to policyholders and shareholders at the annual meeting held on January 4, indicates a year of marked expansion.

The Answer



Here is one solution to the LETTER golf puzzle on page 19.



Another record in new assurances was established. The new business for 1927 amounted to \$77,576,008, bringing the insurance in force at December 31, 1927, to \$462,554,431.

The assets of the company increased by eight and three-quarter million dollars, and at the end of December reached the large sum of \$76,483,181. Of this amount over twenty-seven million dollars is invested in government, government-guaranteed and municipal bonds and more than twenty million dollars comprises first mortgages on improved real estate.

The payments to policyholders also constituted a record. Death claims amounted to \$2,412,069; matured policies, annuities, etc., \$3,219,065, and dividends to policyholders, \$1,611,217. Payments to living policyholders totaled almost twice the sum paid beneficiaries under death claims. In addition to the above the company set aside \$1,953,832 as dividends to policyholders to be paid during 1928. Surplus earnings in 1927 were very satisfactory and have made possible an increase in the scale of dividends payable to policyholders for the fourth consecutive year.

Back Benches Say They Just Can't Hear Ministers' Voices

Black-benchers down at the bottom of the Legislature complained yesterday that they could not hear utterances from the Treasury benches up near Mr. Speaker Buckham. When George A. Walkem, Conservative of Point Grey-Richmond protested that he could not hear Hon. T. D. Pattullo, Minister of Lands, Major R. J. Burde, Independent of Alberni, added: "Stand the Minister out in the middle of the floor."

"Yes," boomed Mr. Pattullo, "and I could take care of myself out there with anyone, too." Which assurance seemed to satisfy Mr. Walkem and Major Burde.

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